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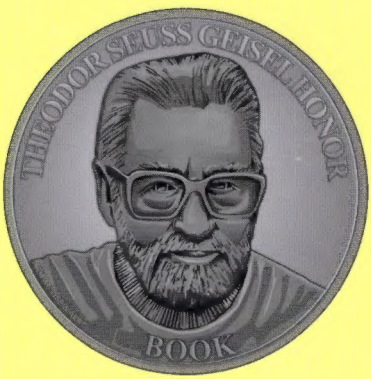

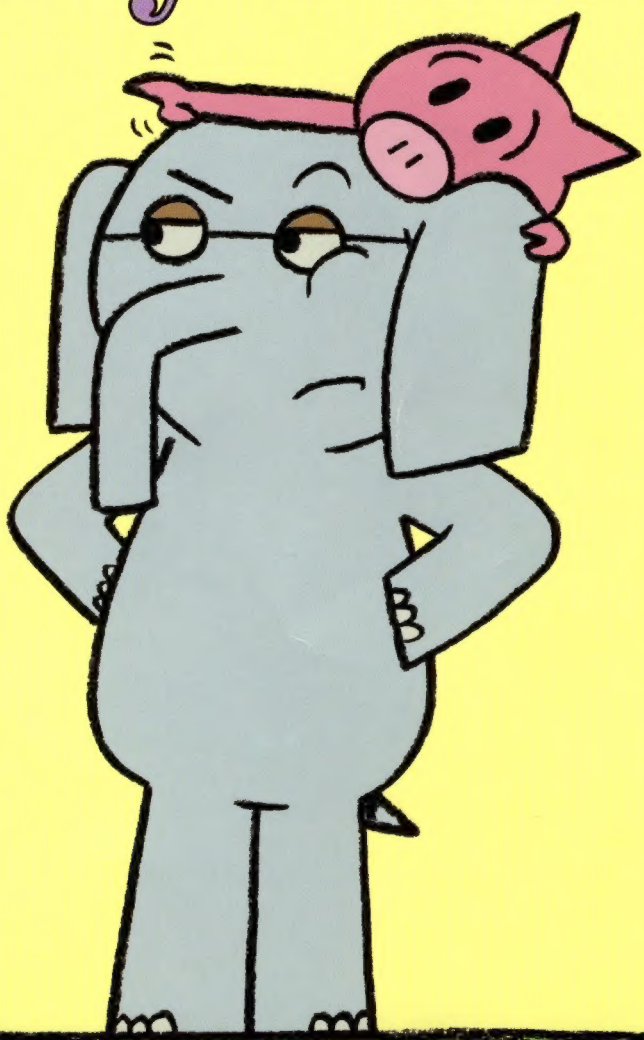

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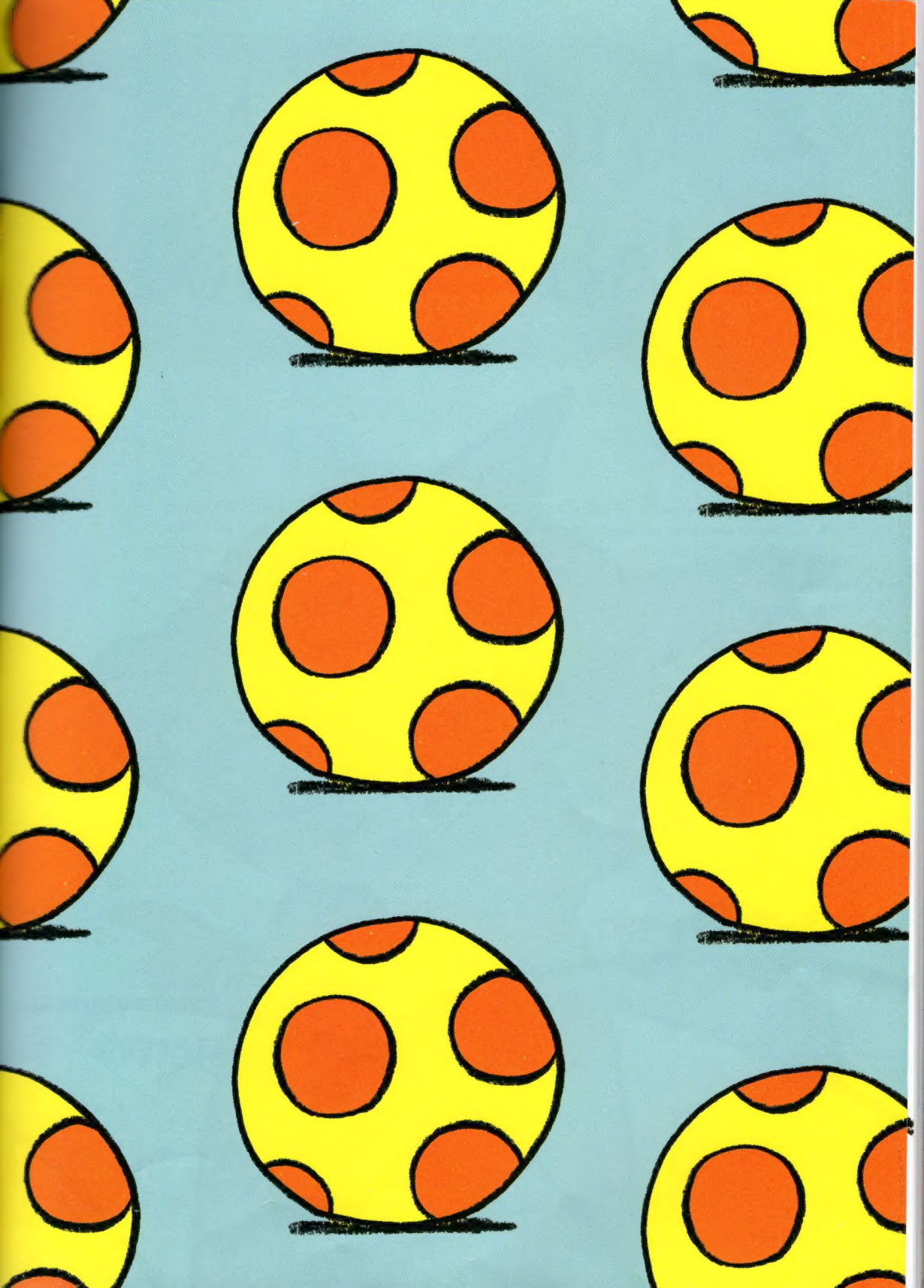

To Richard Thompson—
a big guy in my book

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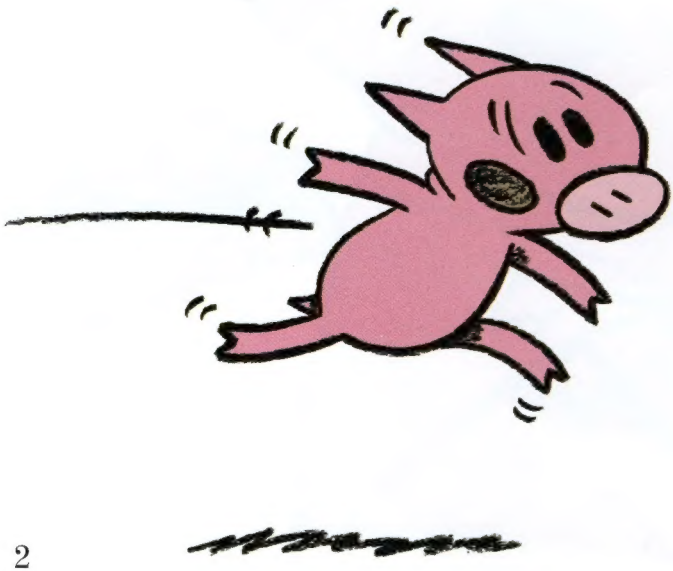
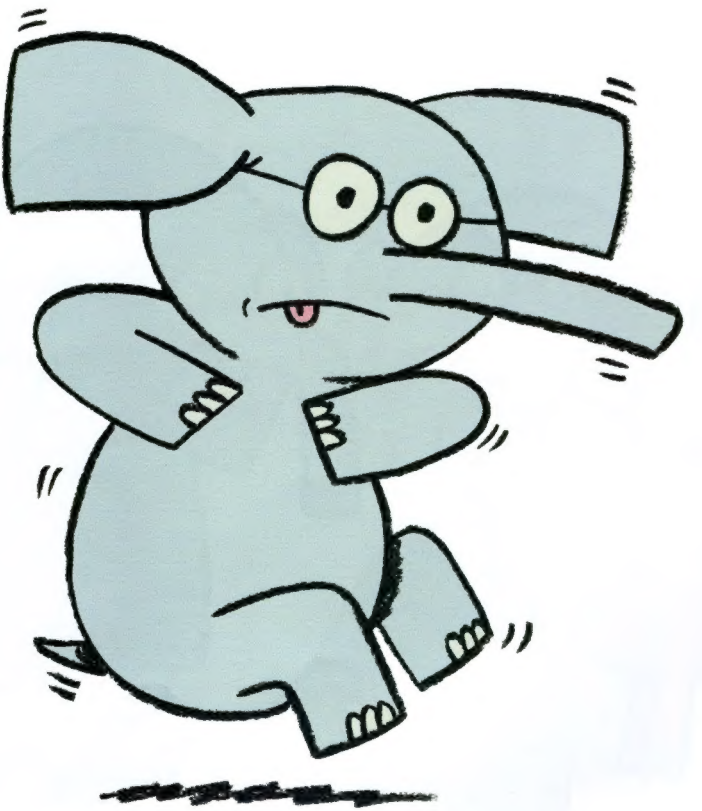


Gerald!



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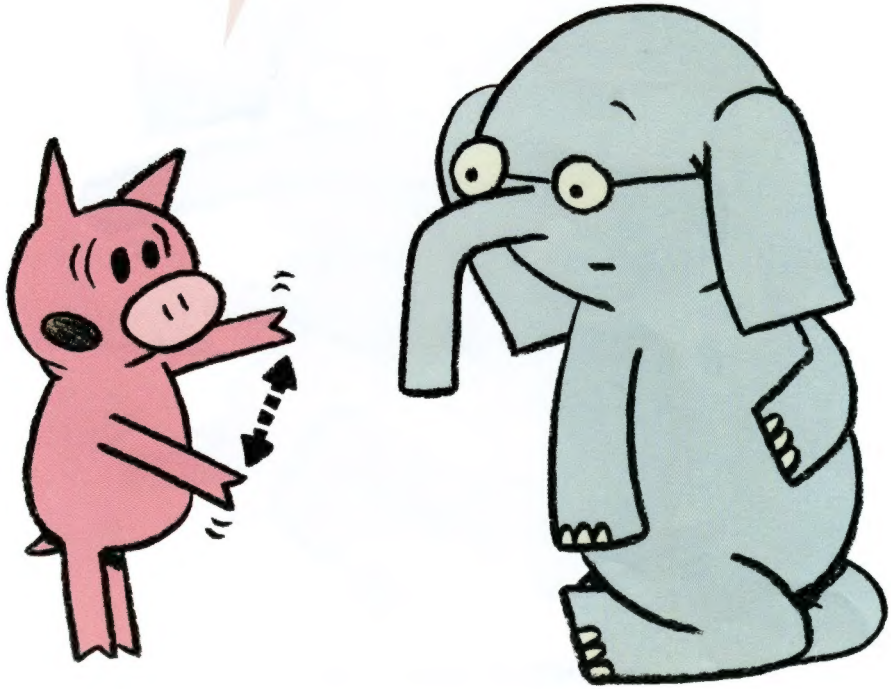
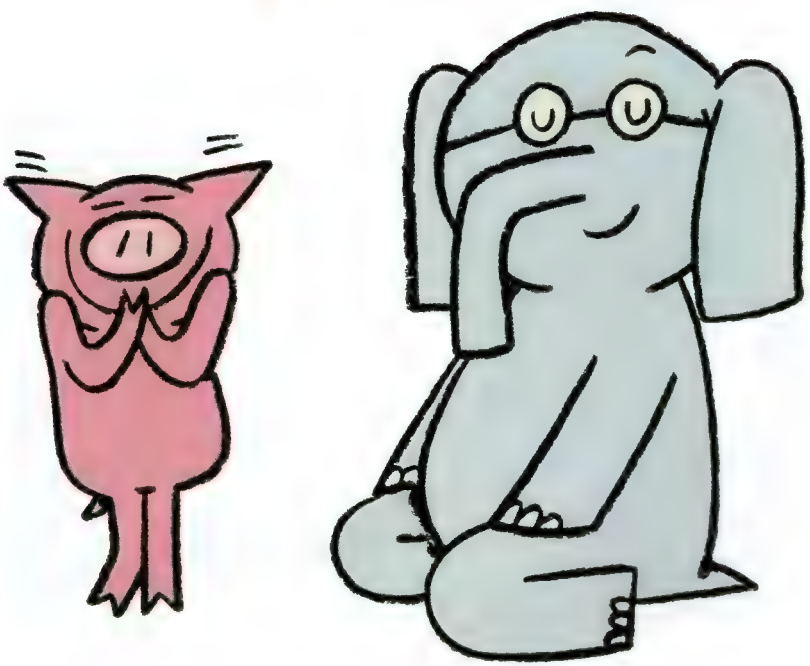
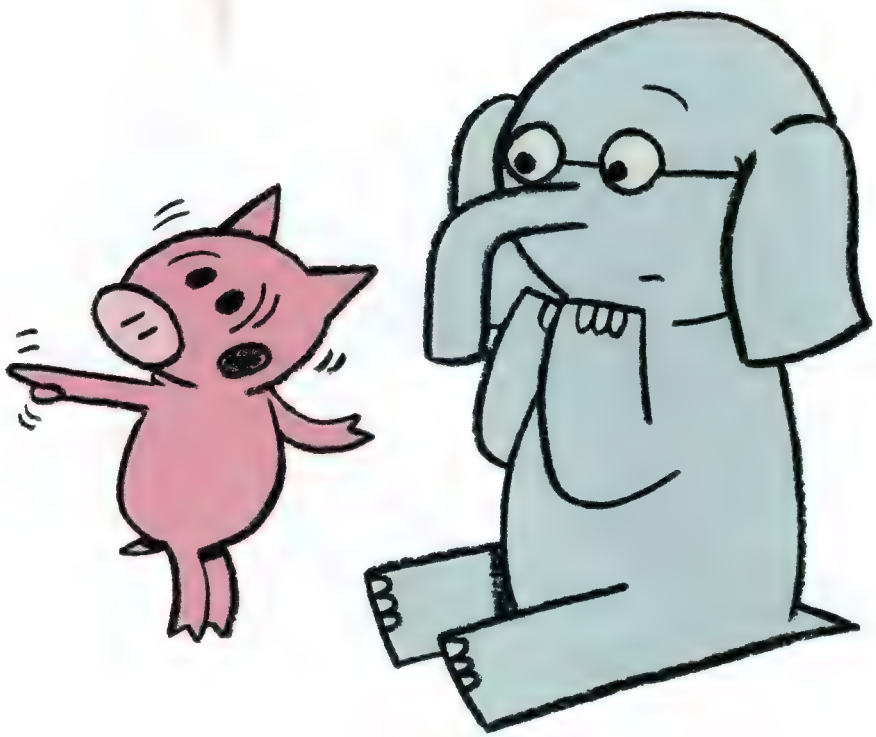


and it was *so* fun!



And then a big guy came—



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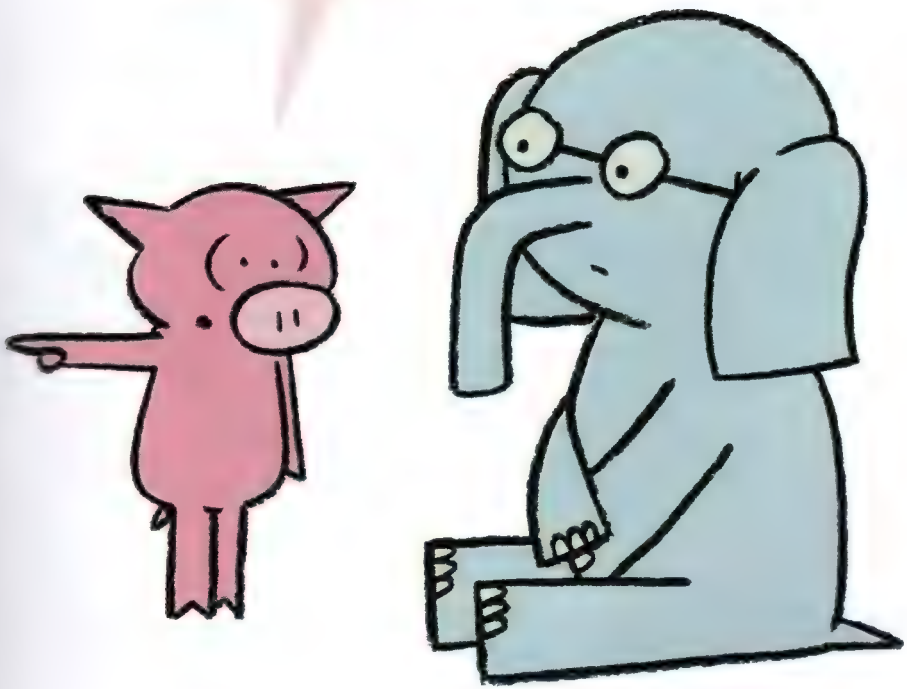
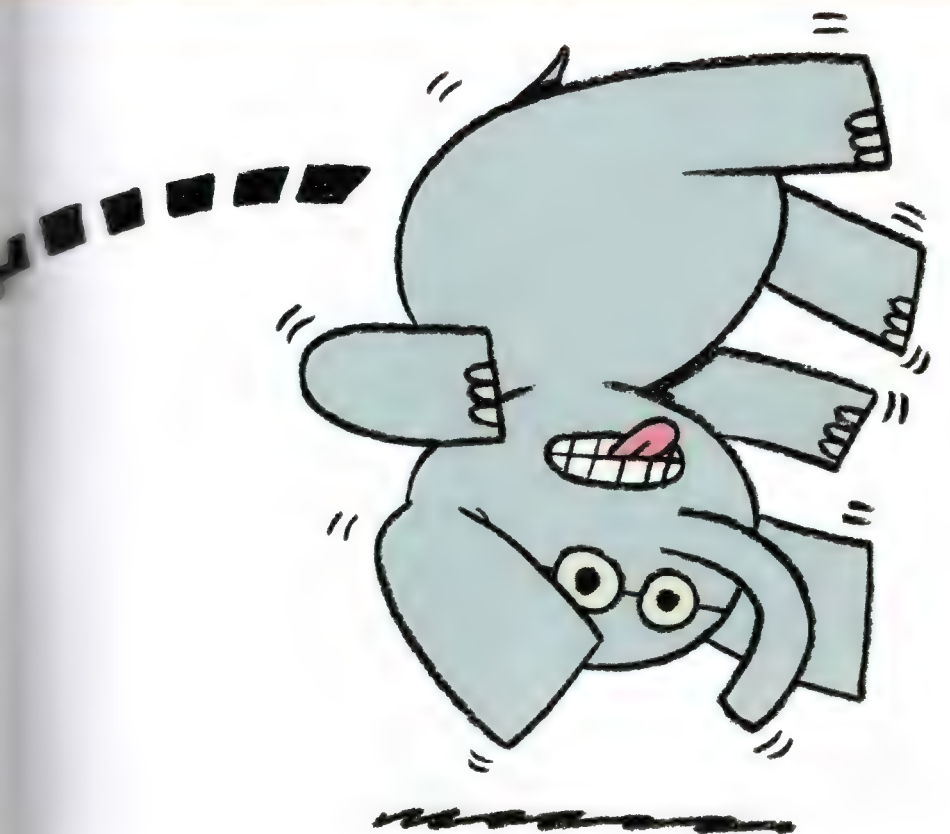
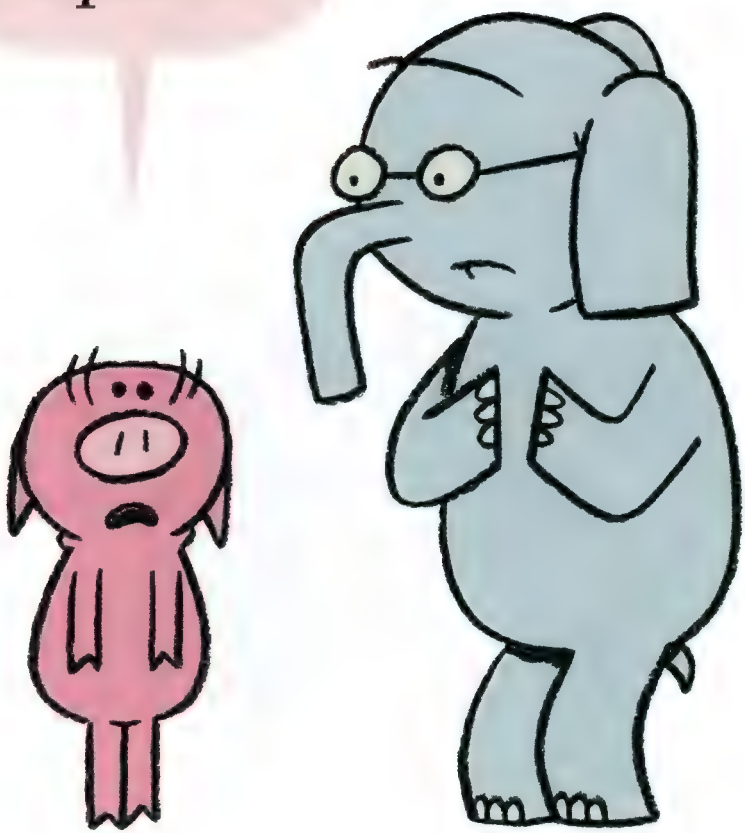


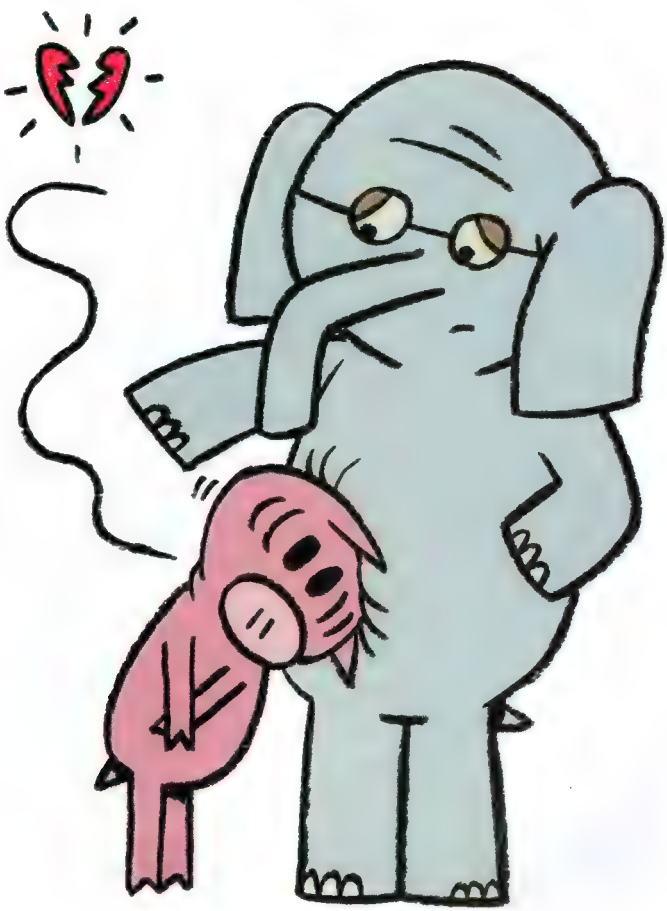
HE
MY

TOOK BALL!



I am so upset.





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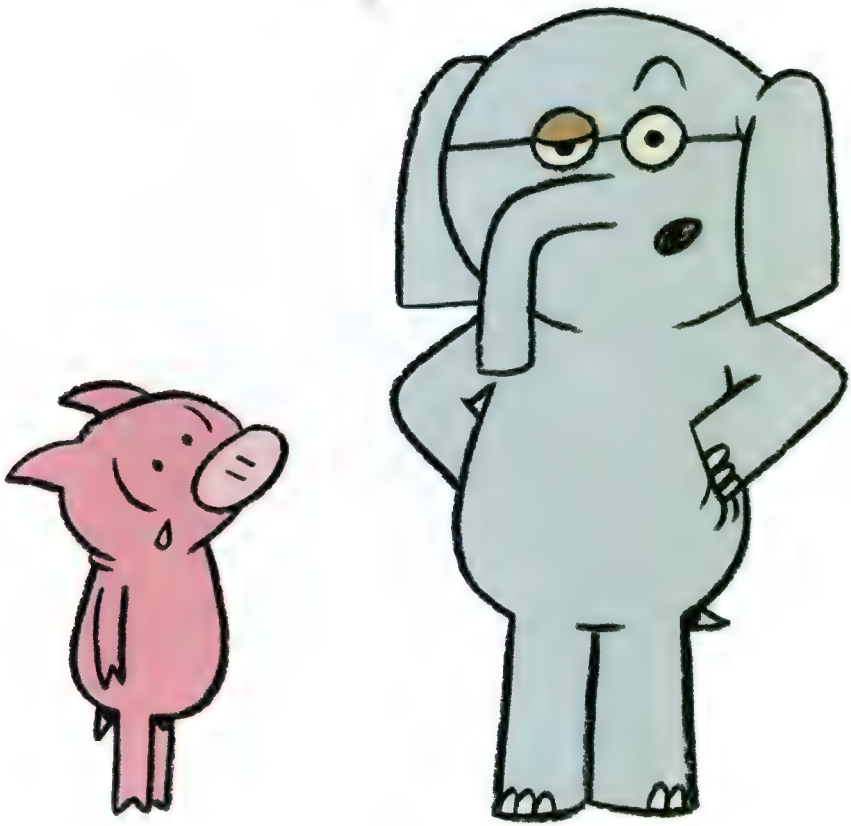

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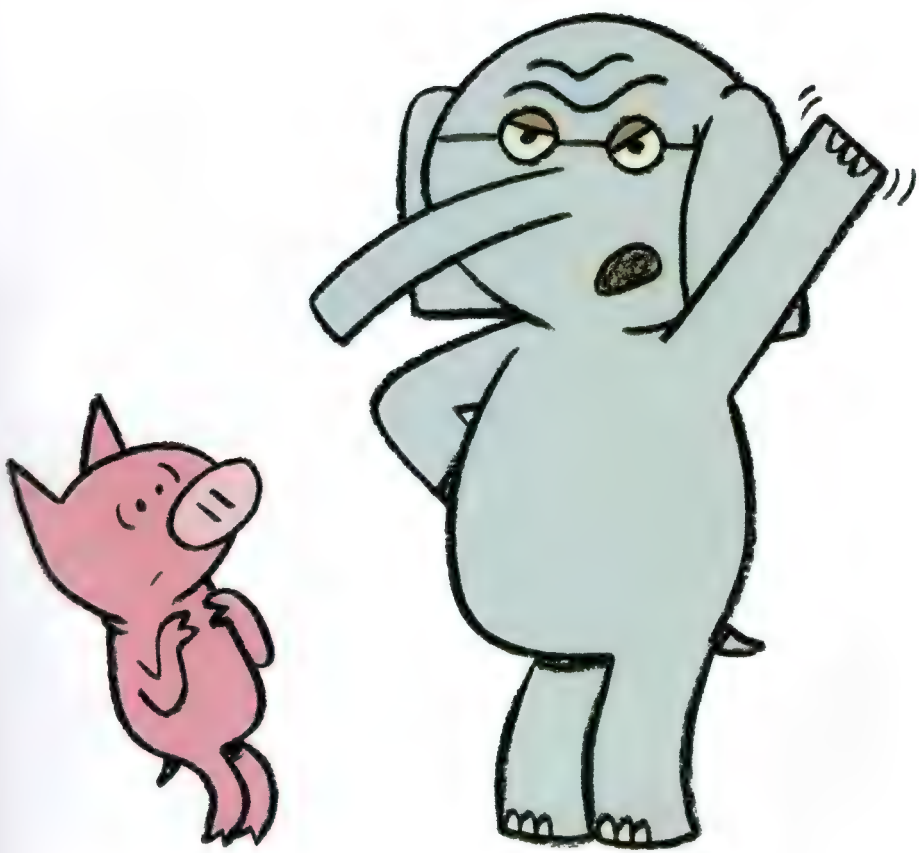
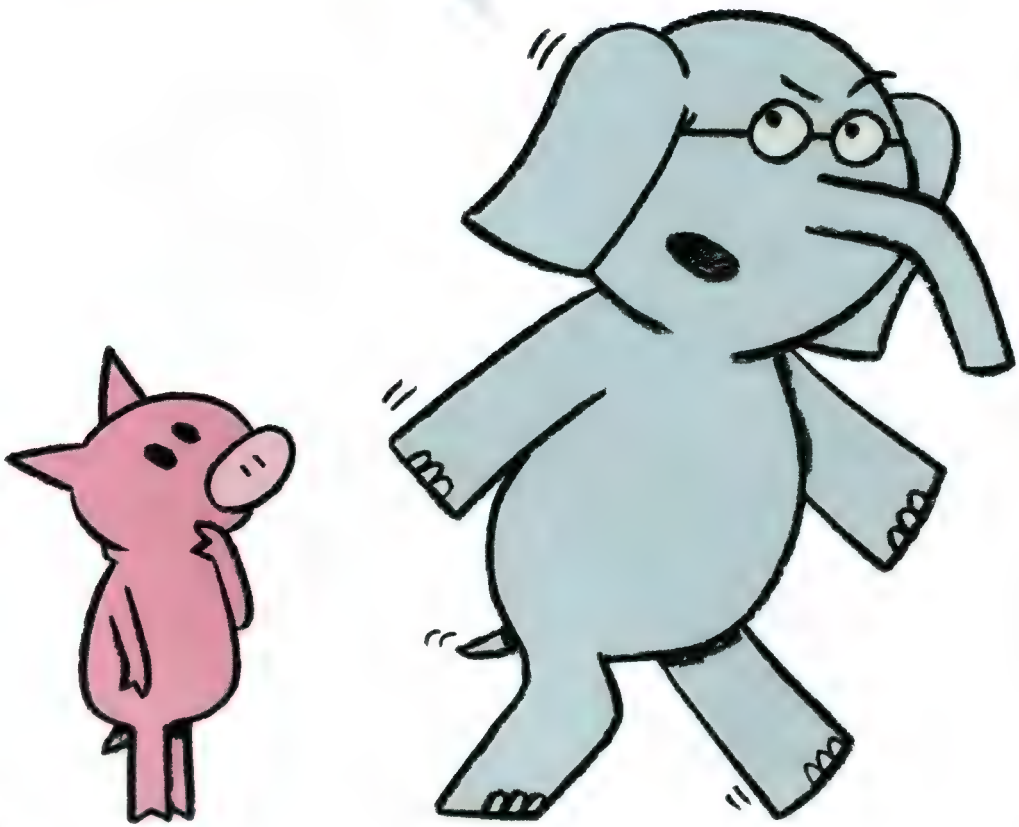
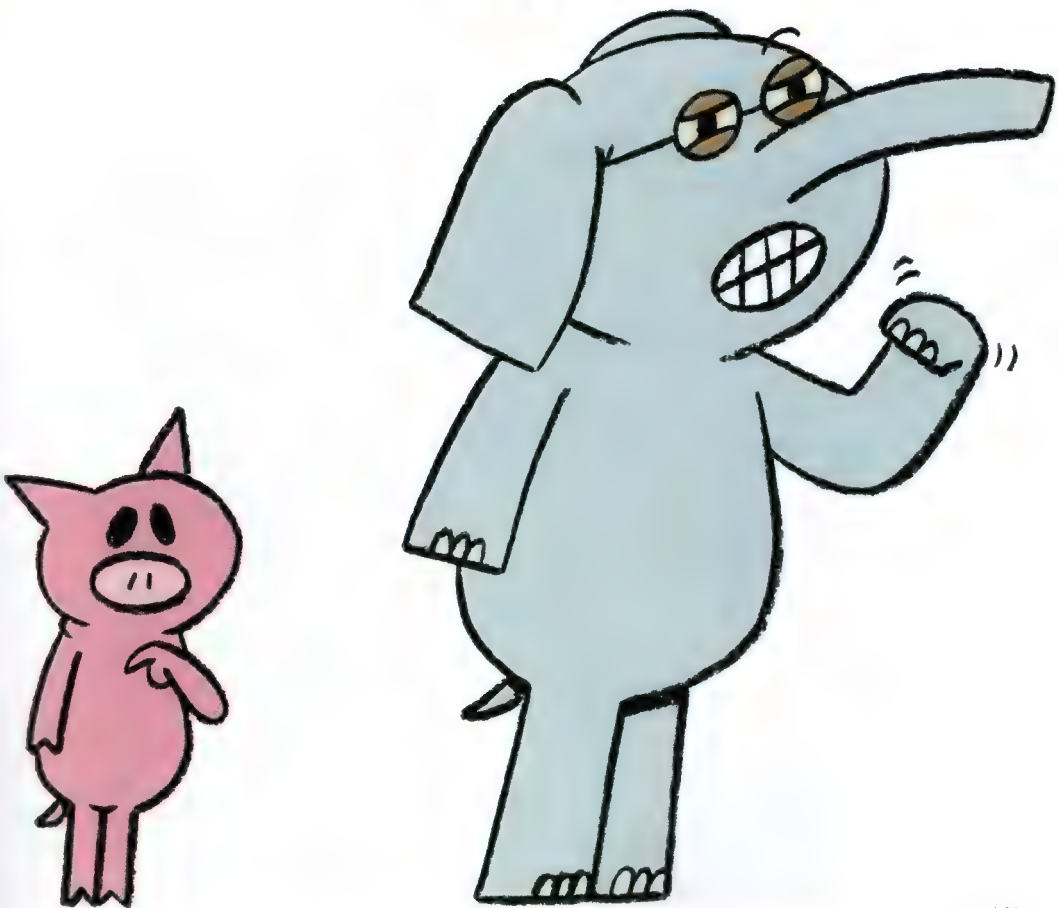


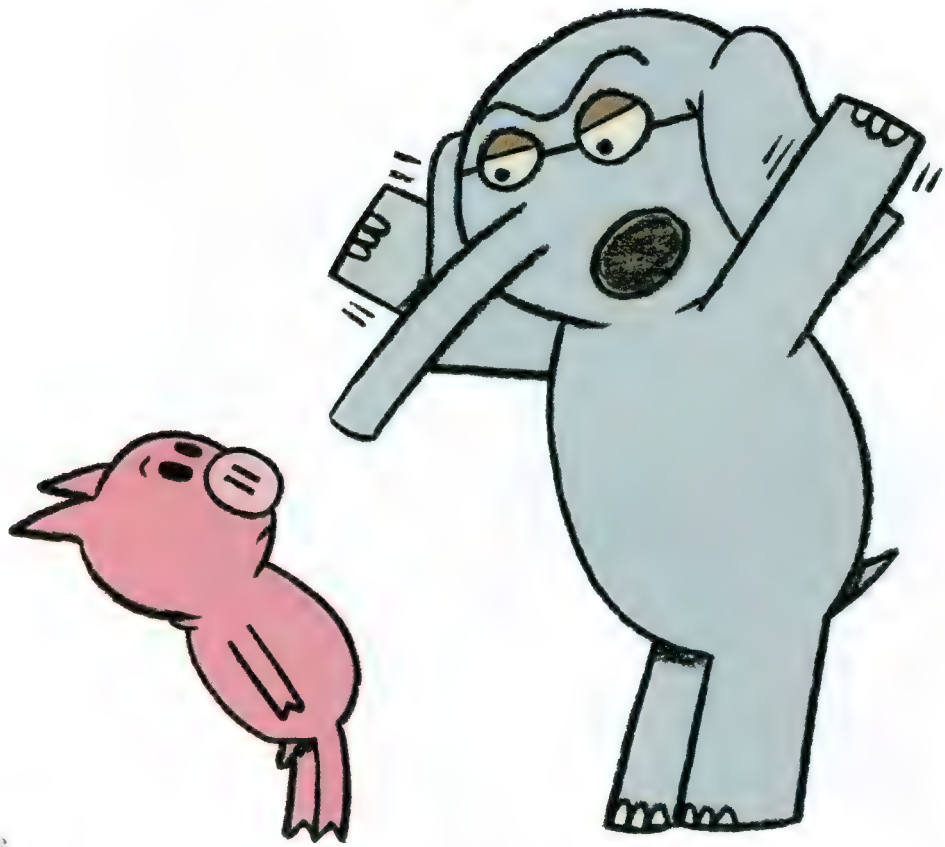
Big guys have
all the fun!



What about
the little guys!?



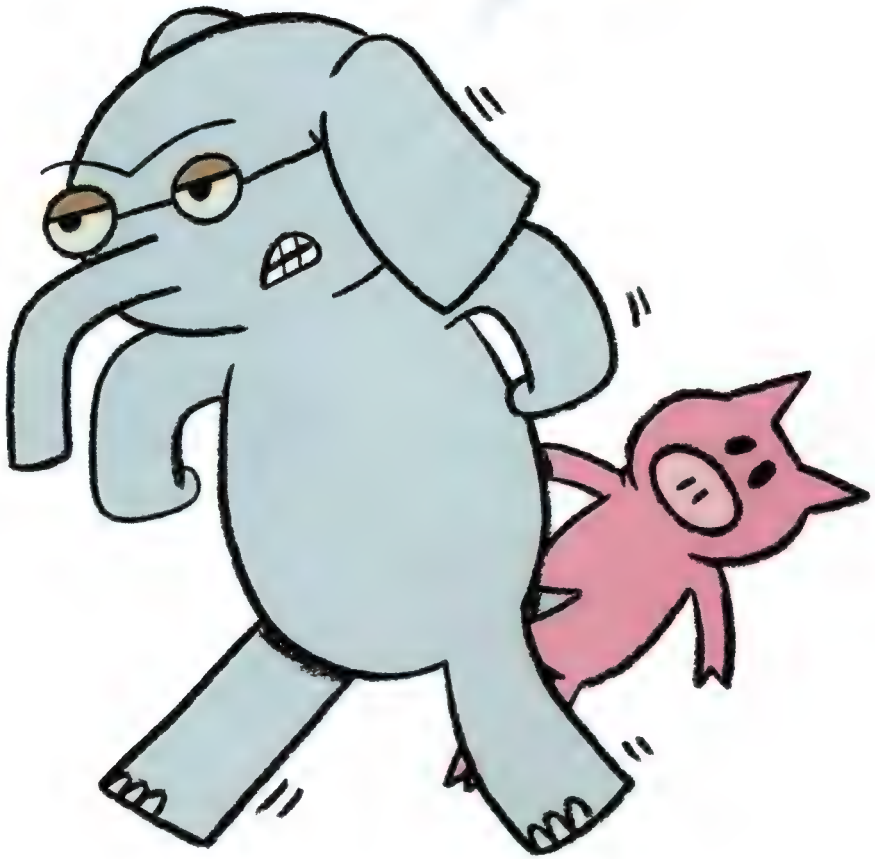
What makes those big guys think they are so big?!



Their size?

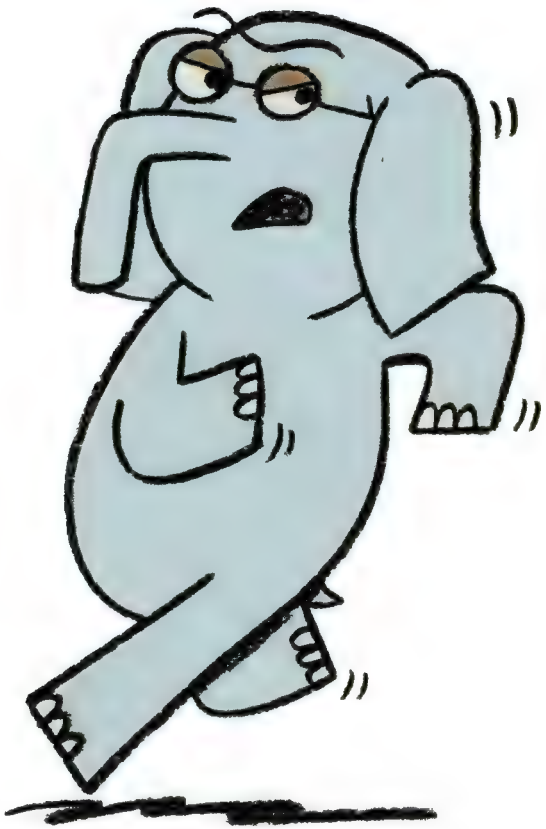
WELL, I AM
BIG TOO!

I will get your
big ball from
that big guy!

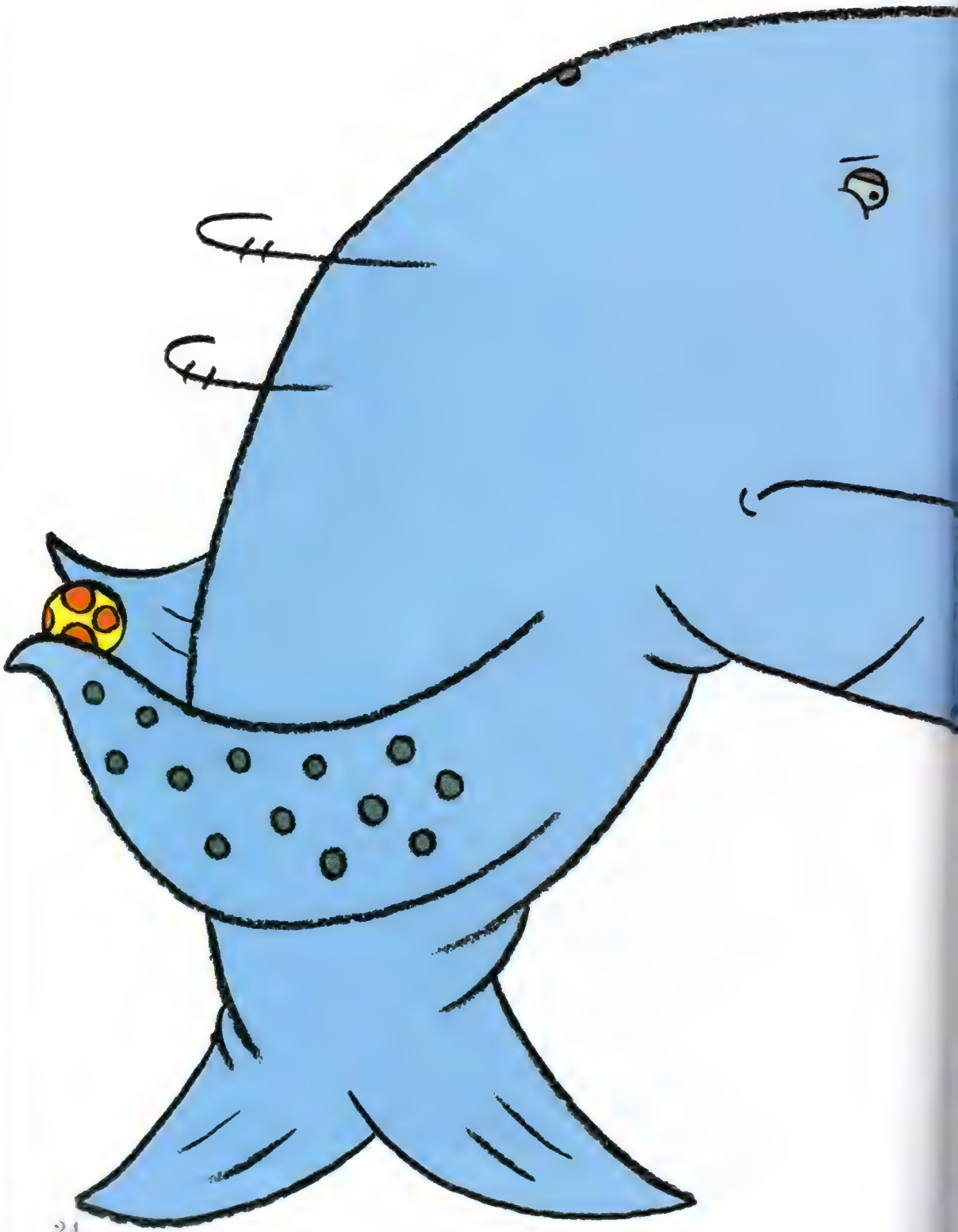


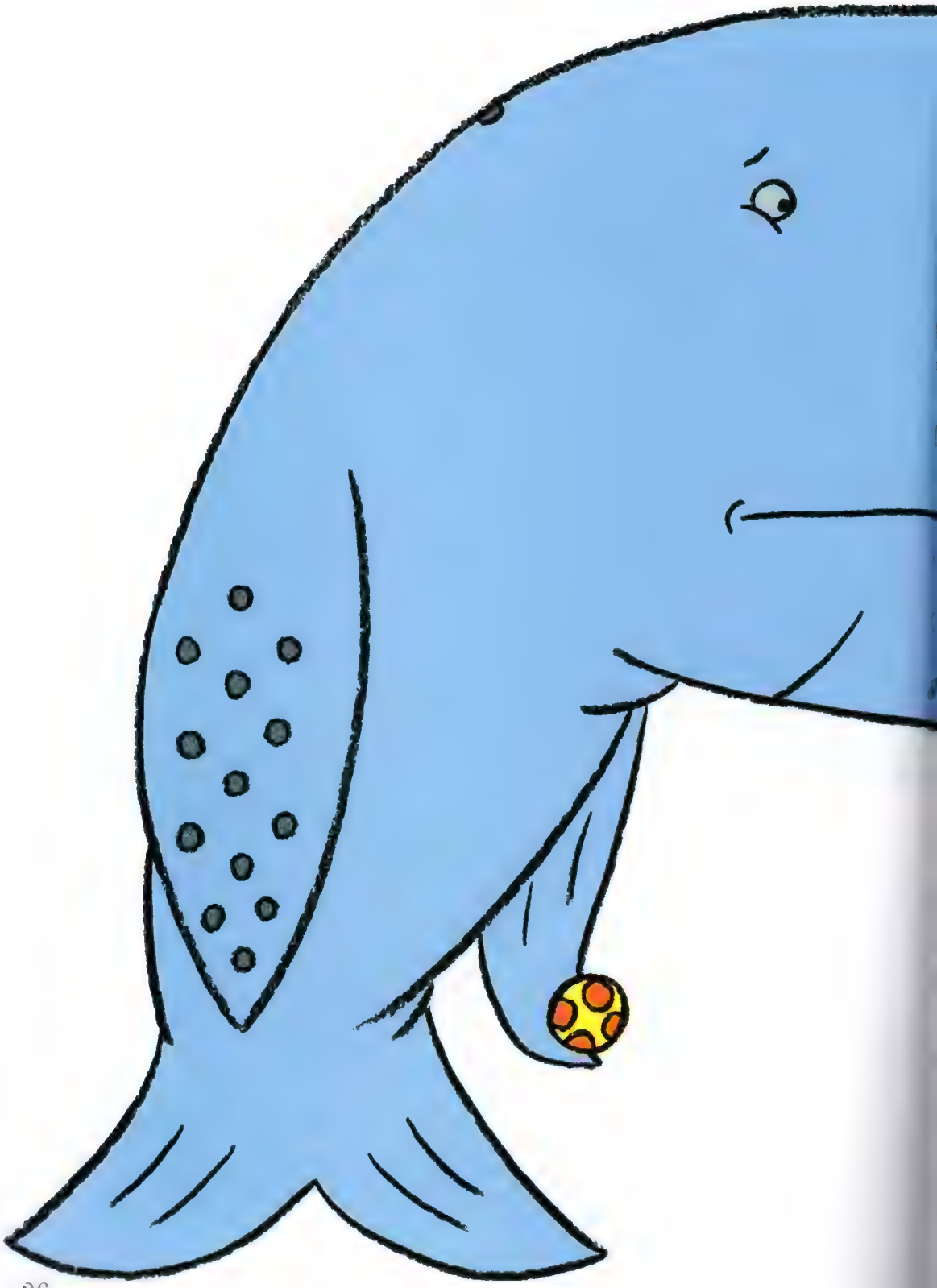
My hero!

Here I go!

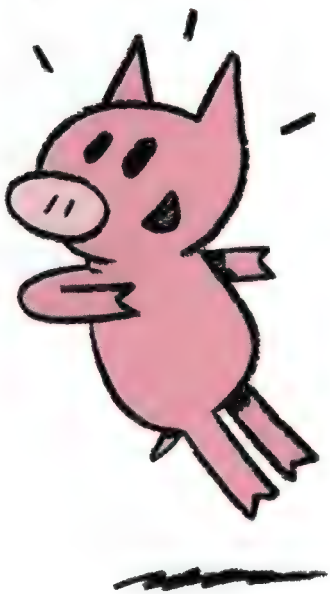


Let's see how big this "big guy" is!

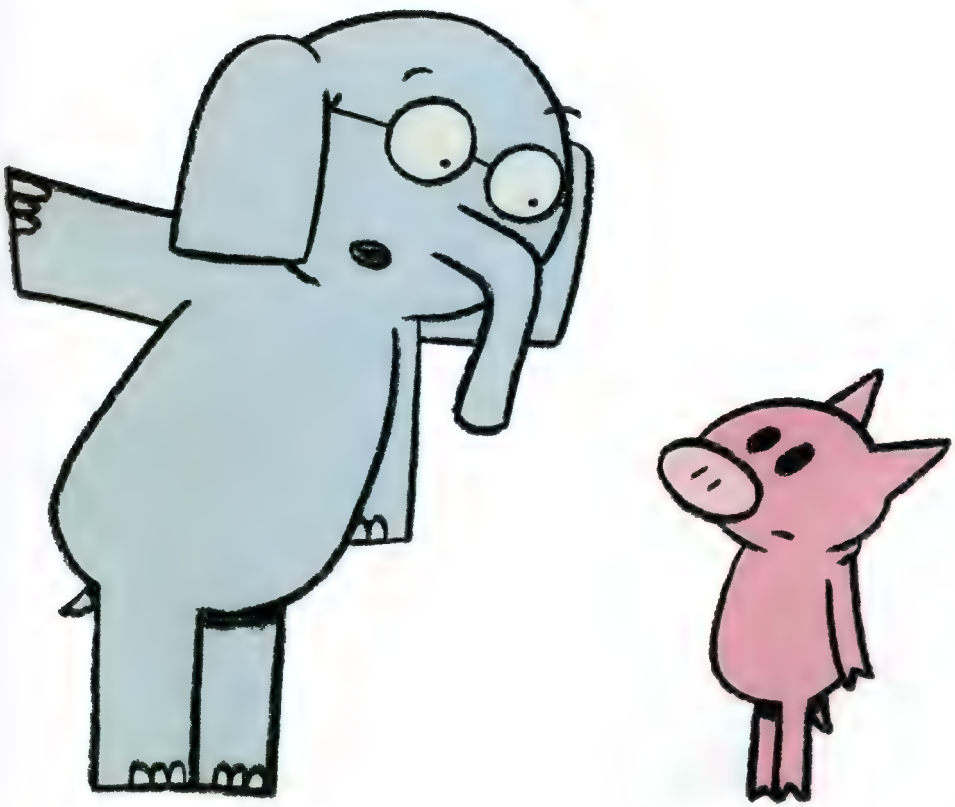




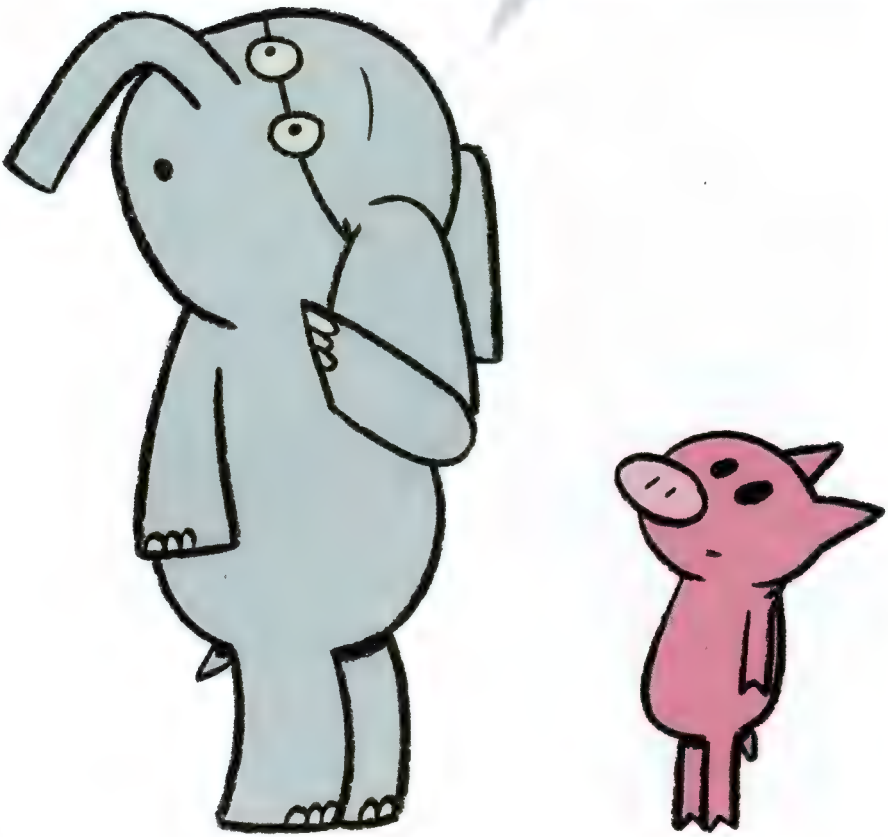
Did you get
my ball back?



That is a
BIG guy.

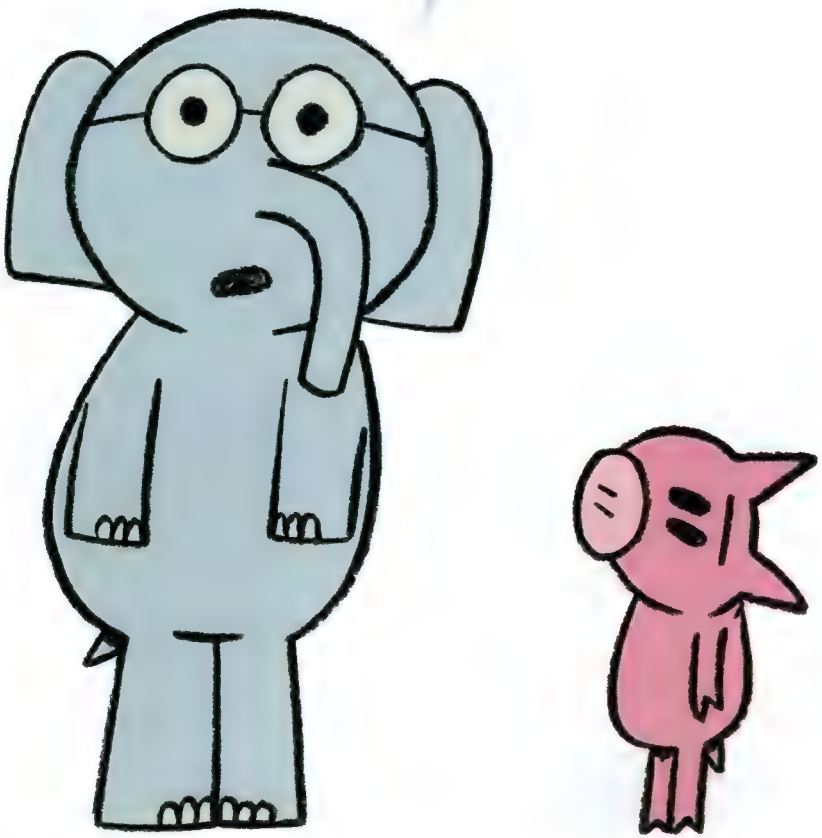


You did not say
how big he was.

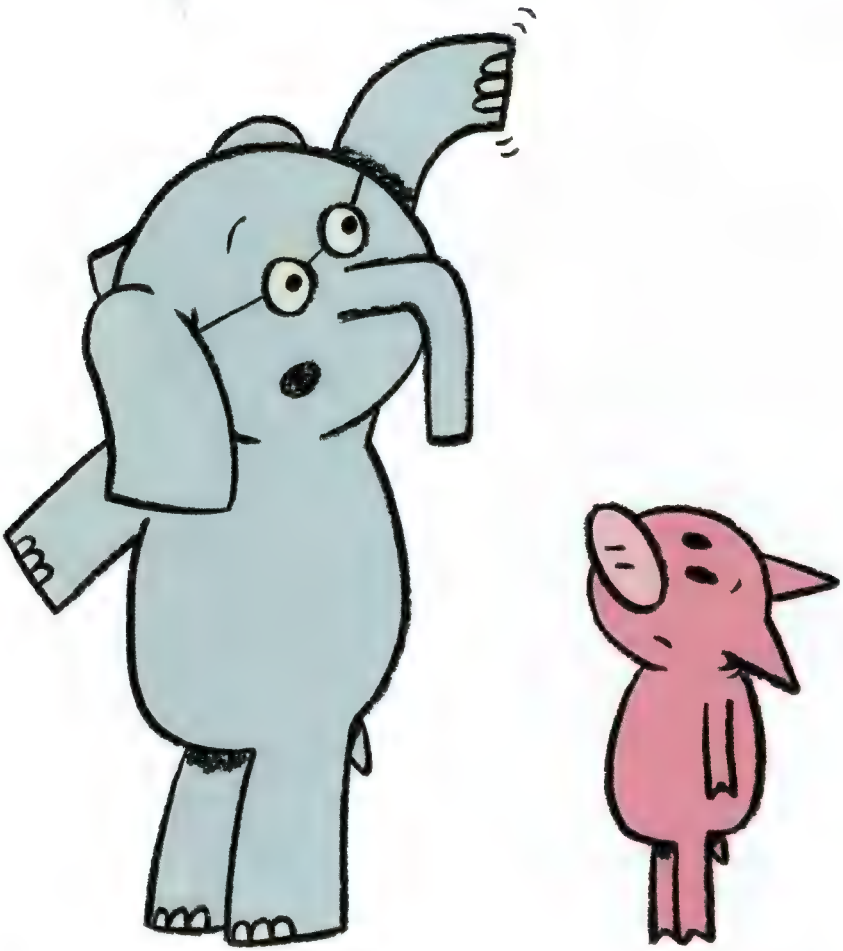


He is very

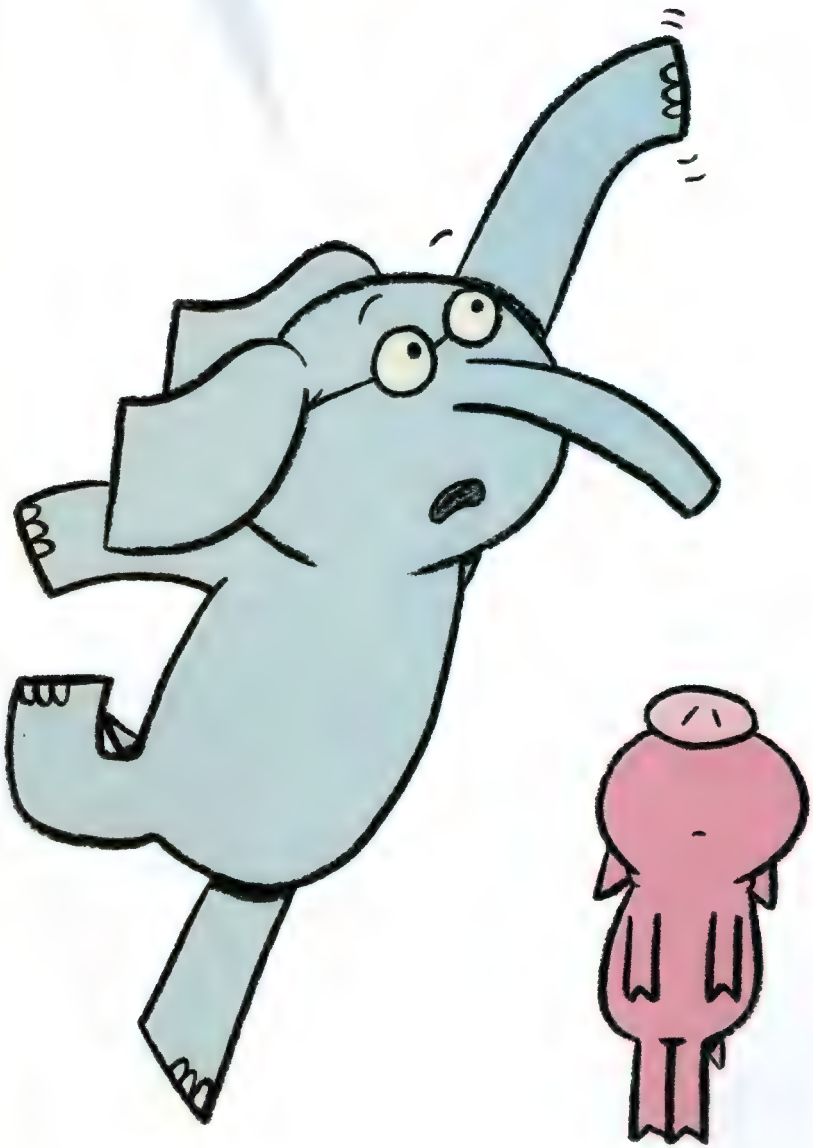
BIG.



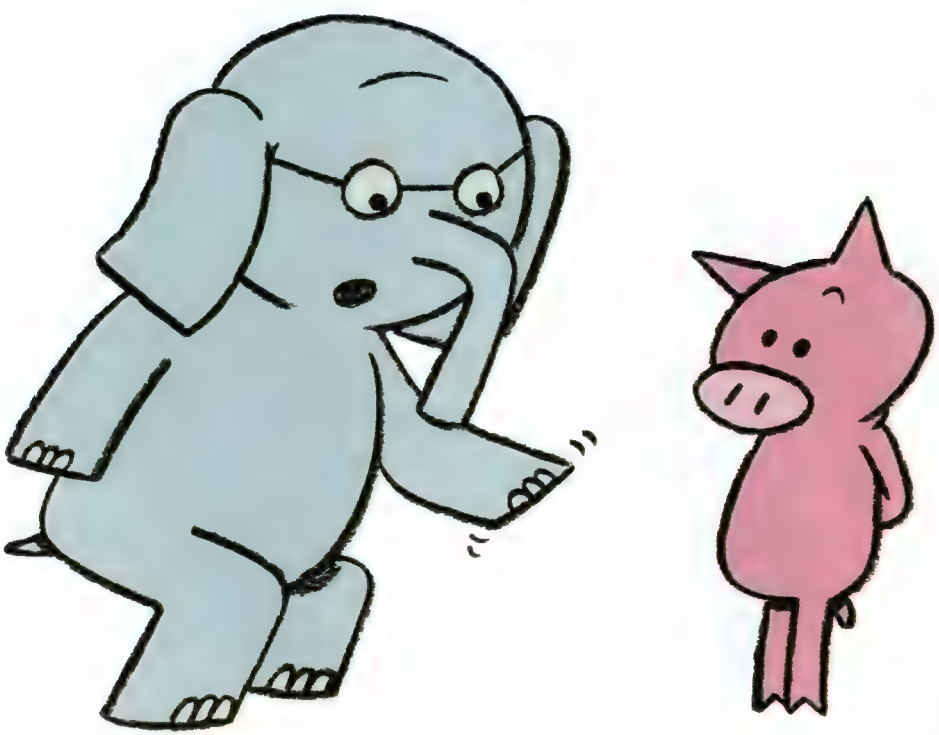
He is bigger than I am.

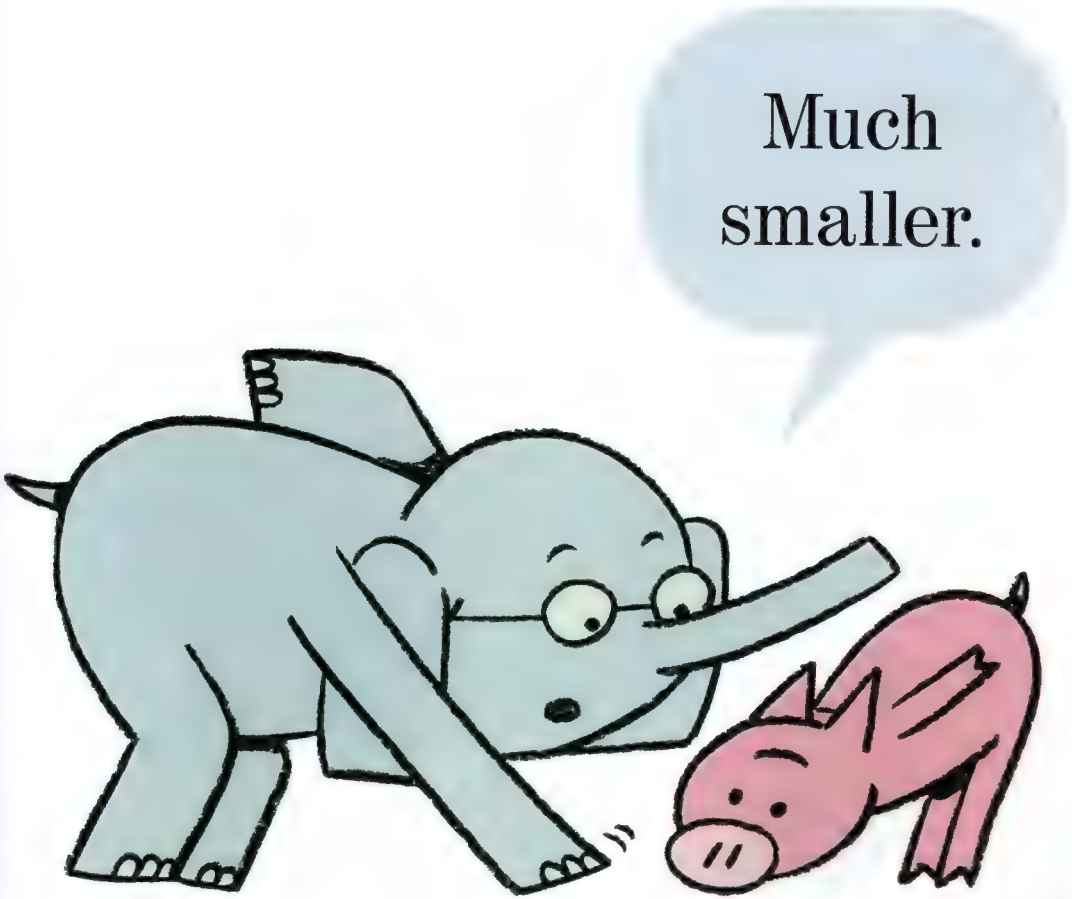


Much bigger!

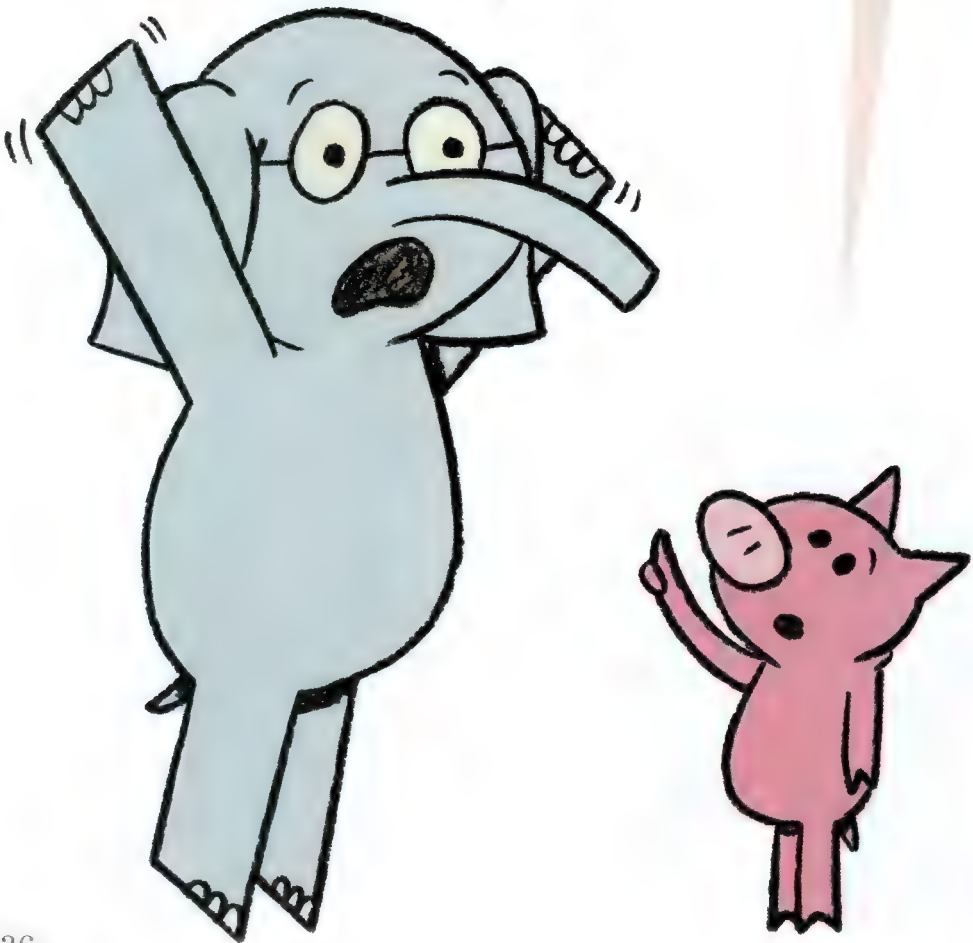


I am smaller than he is.

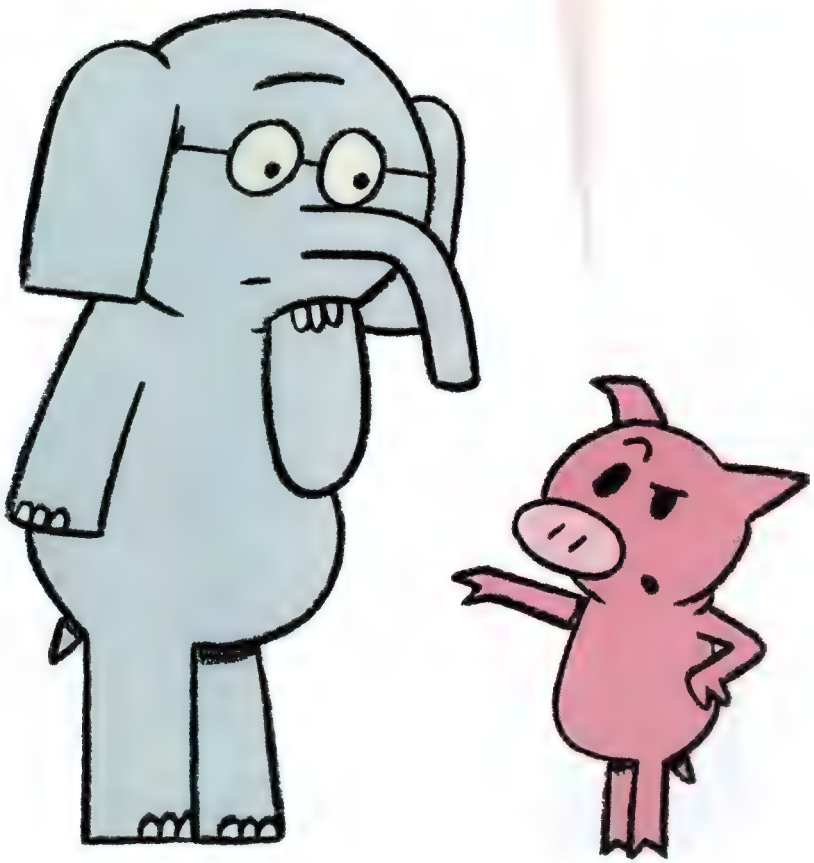



Much
smaller.

He is so BIGGY-
BIG- BIG- Gerald.



You did not get my big ball back, did you.



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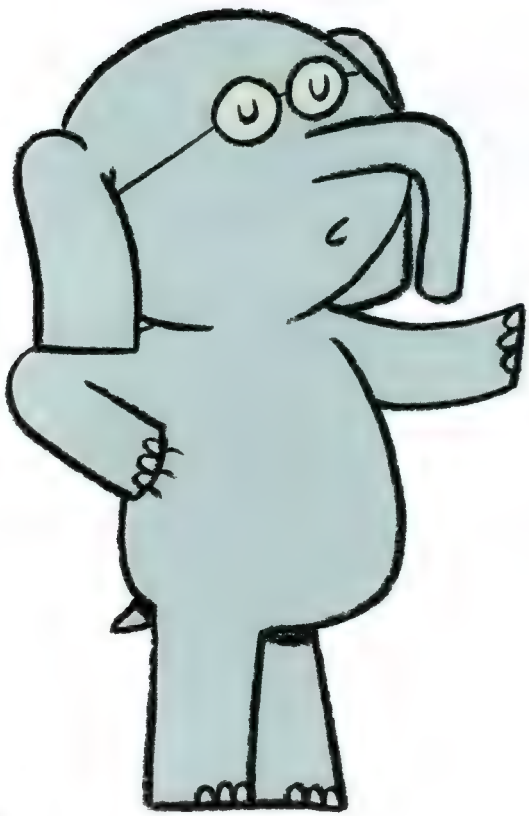
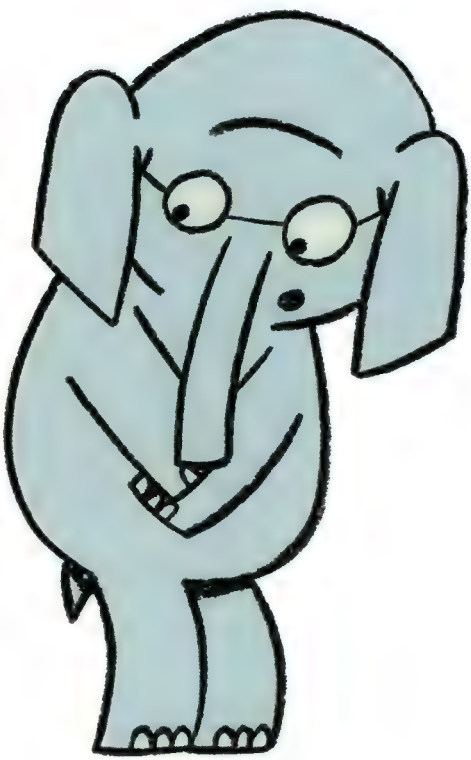
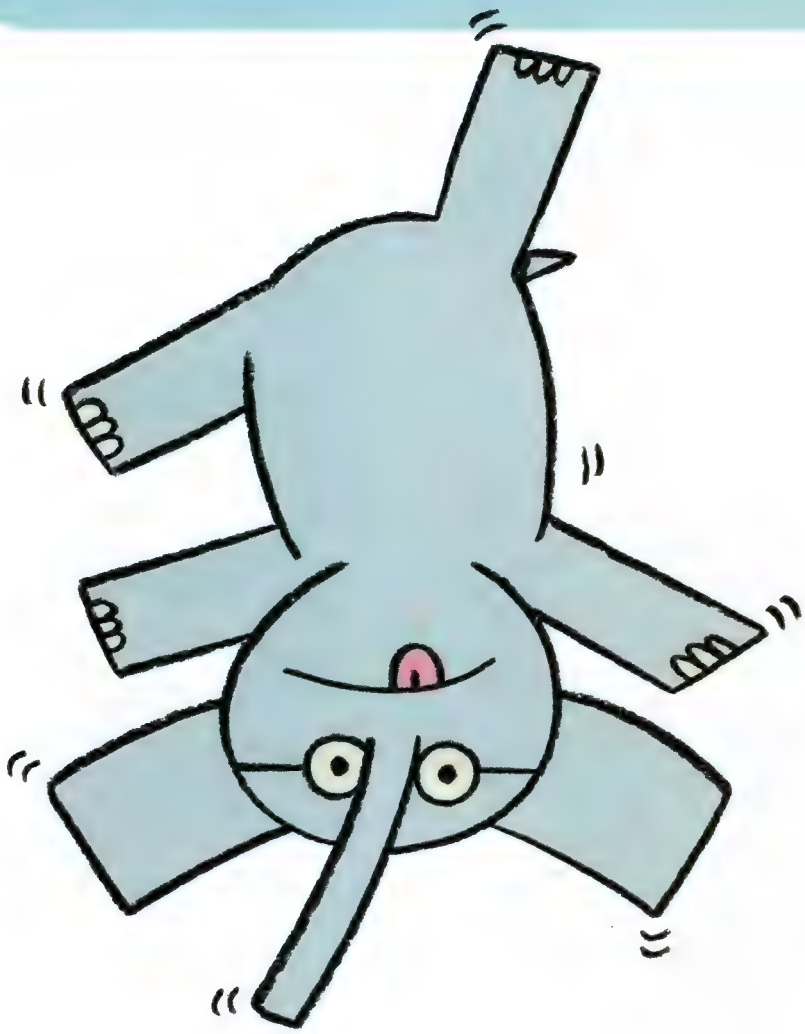


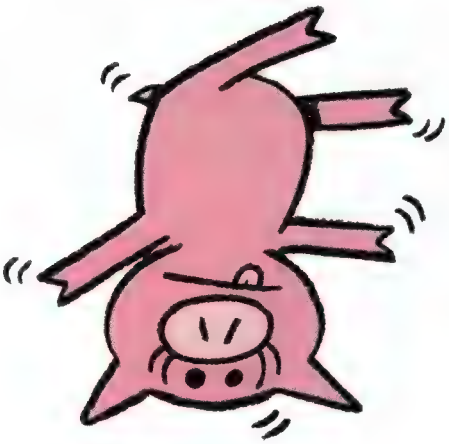
I did not.

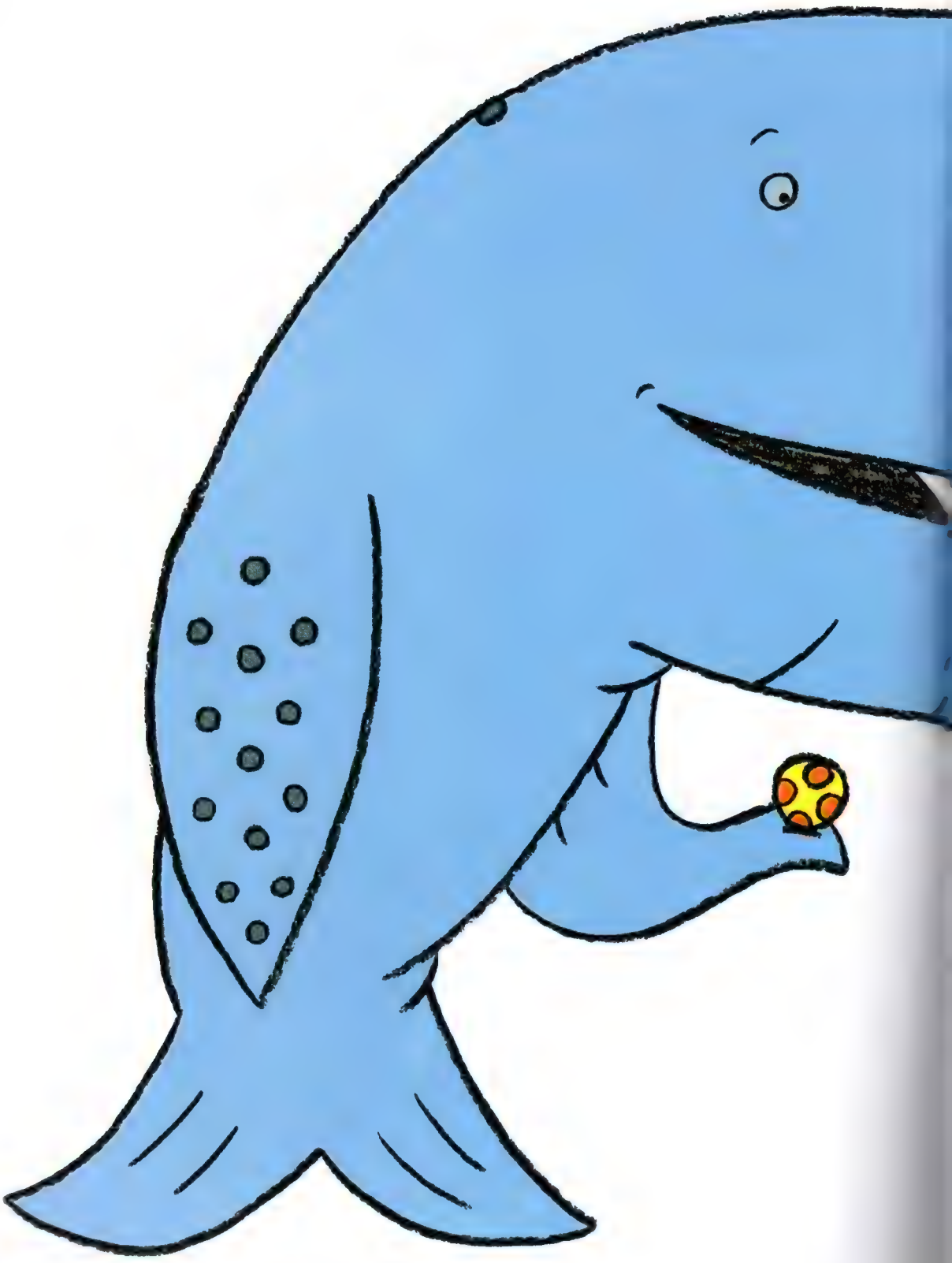


EXCUSE

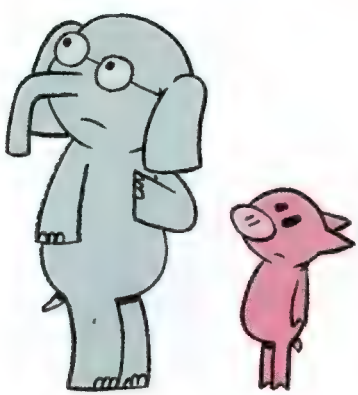


ME!

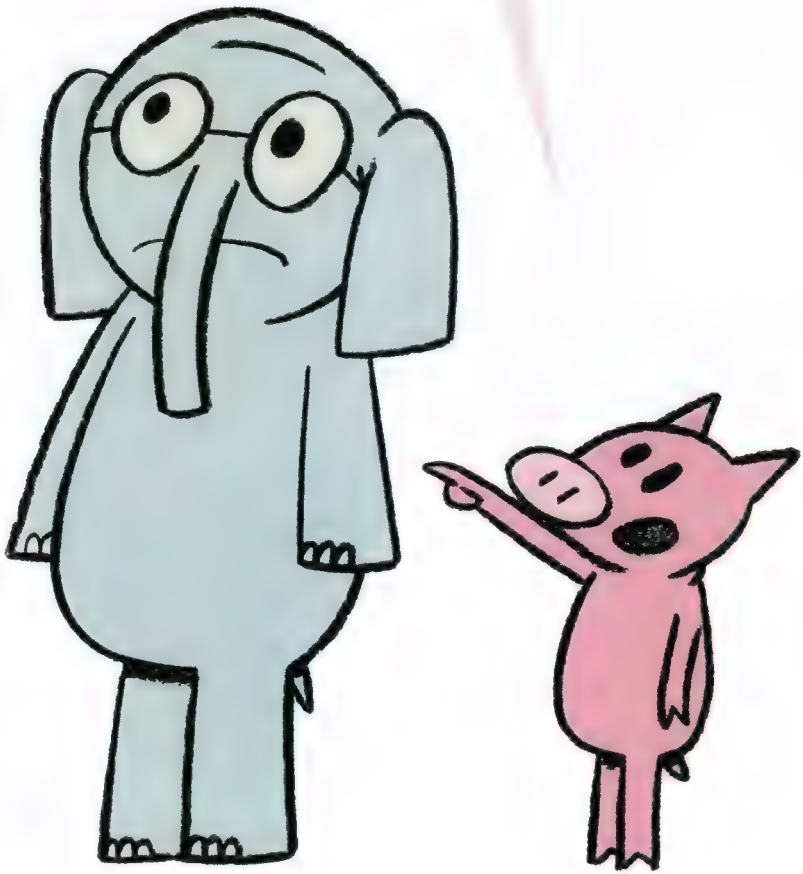




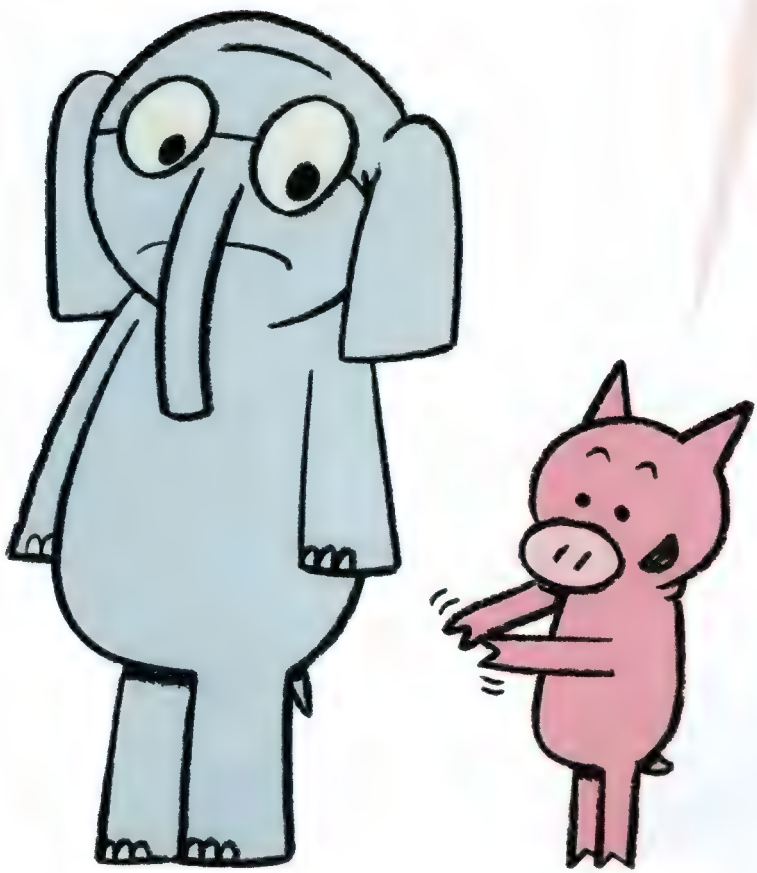
THANK YOU FOR FINDING MY LITTLE BALL.

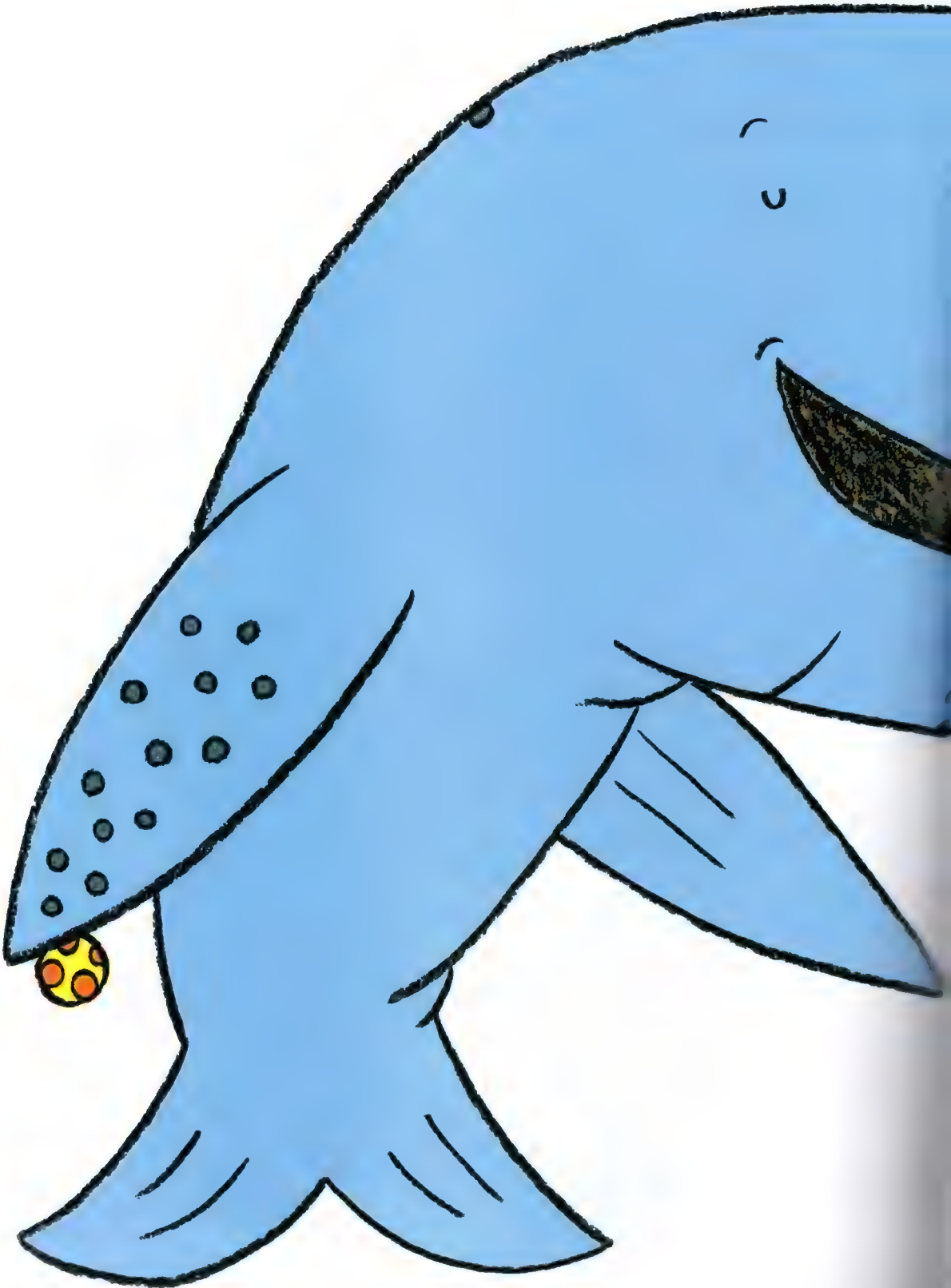


That is *your* ball?

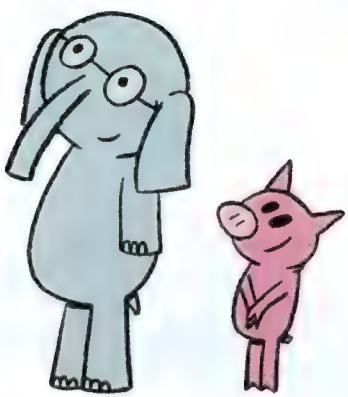


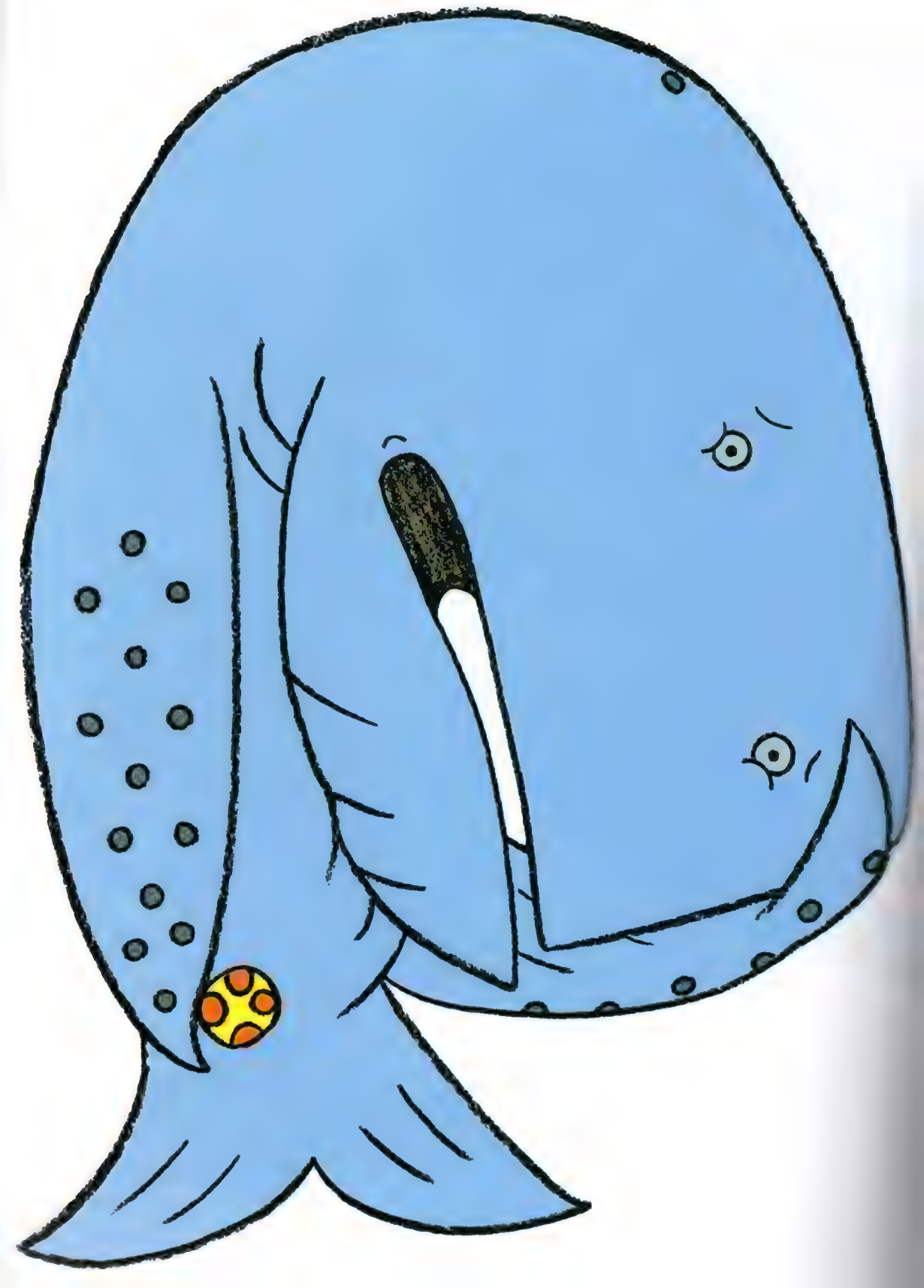
And you think it is little?



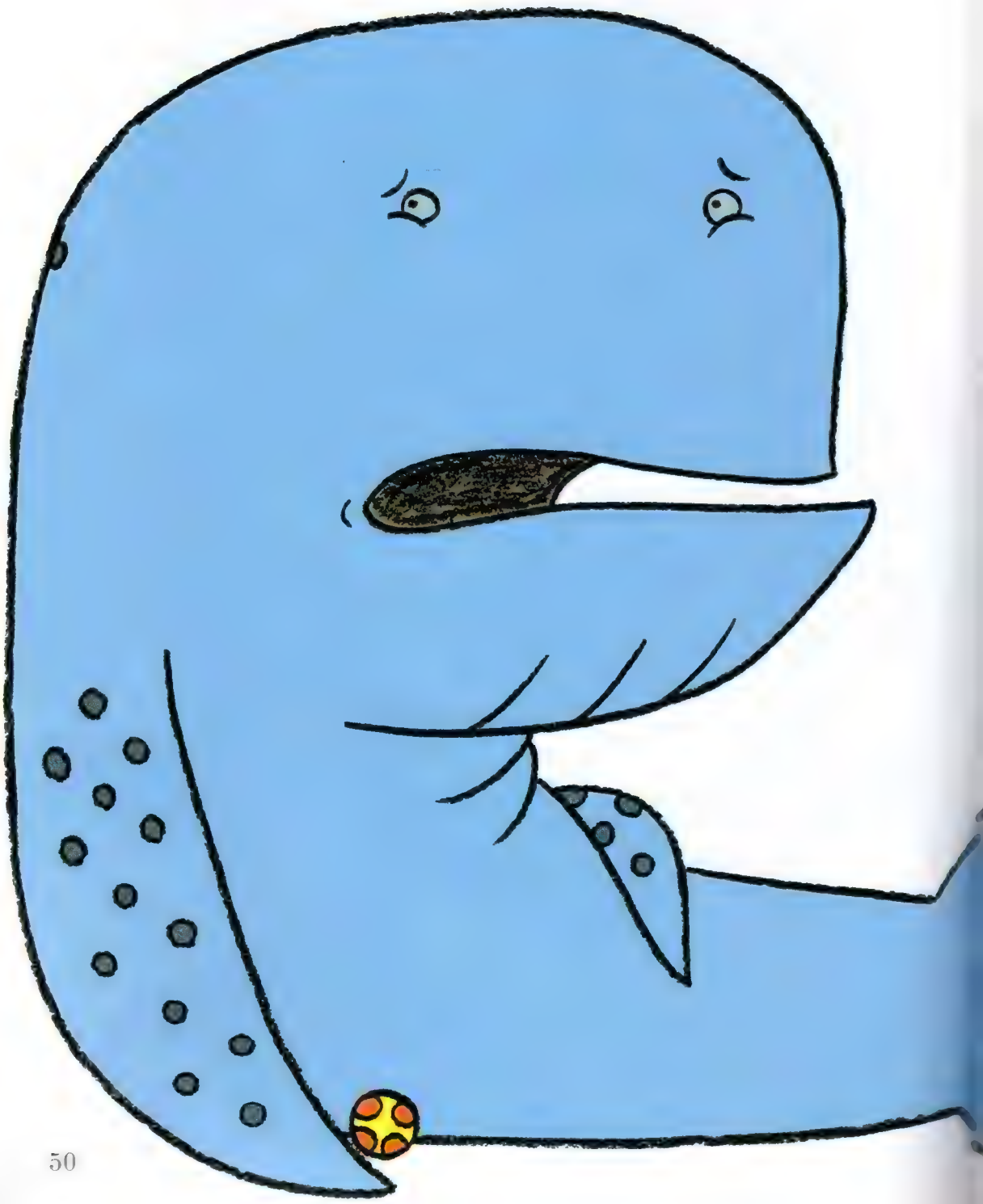


WELL,
I AM
BIG.





SO BIG
THAT NO
ONE WILL
PLAY
WITH ME.



LITTLE GUYS HAVE
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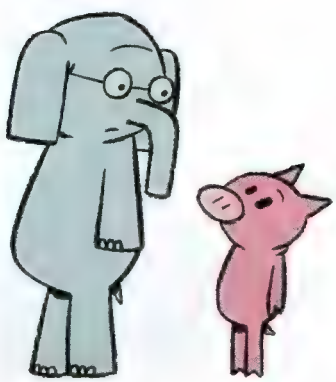
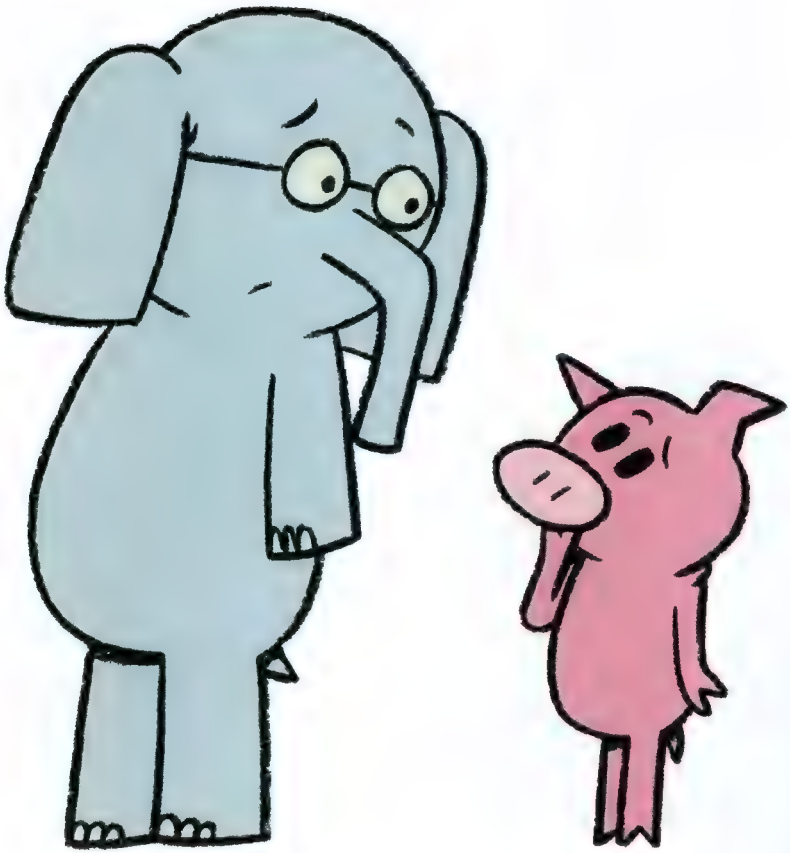
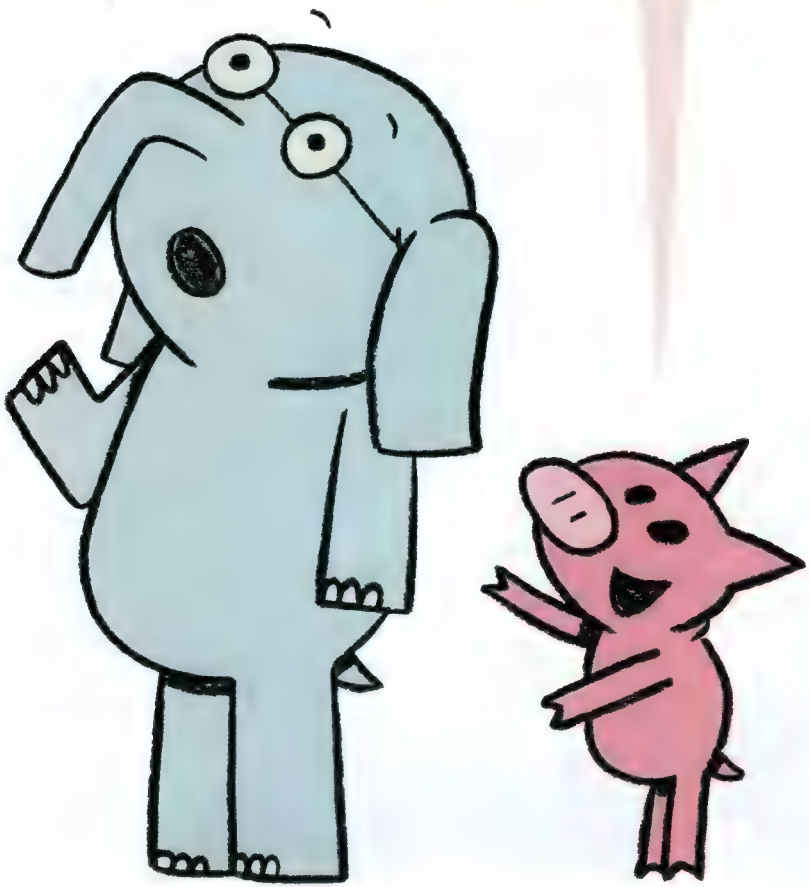
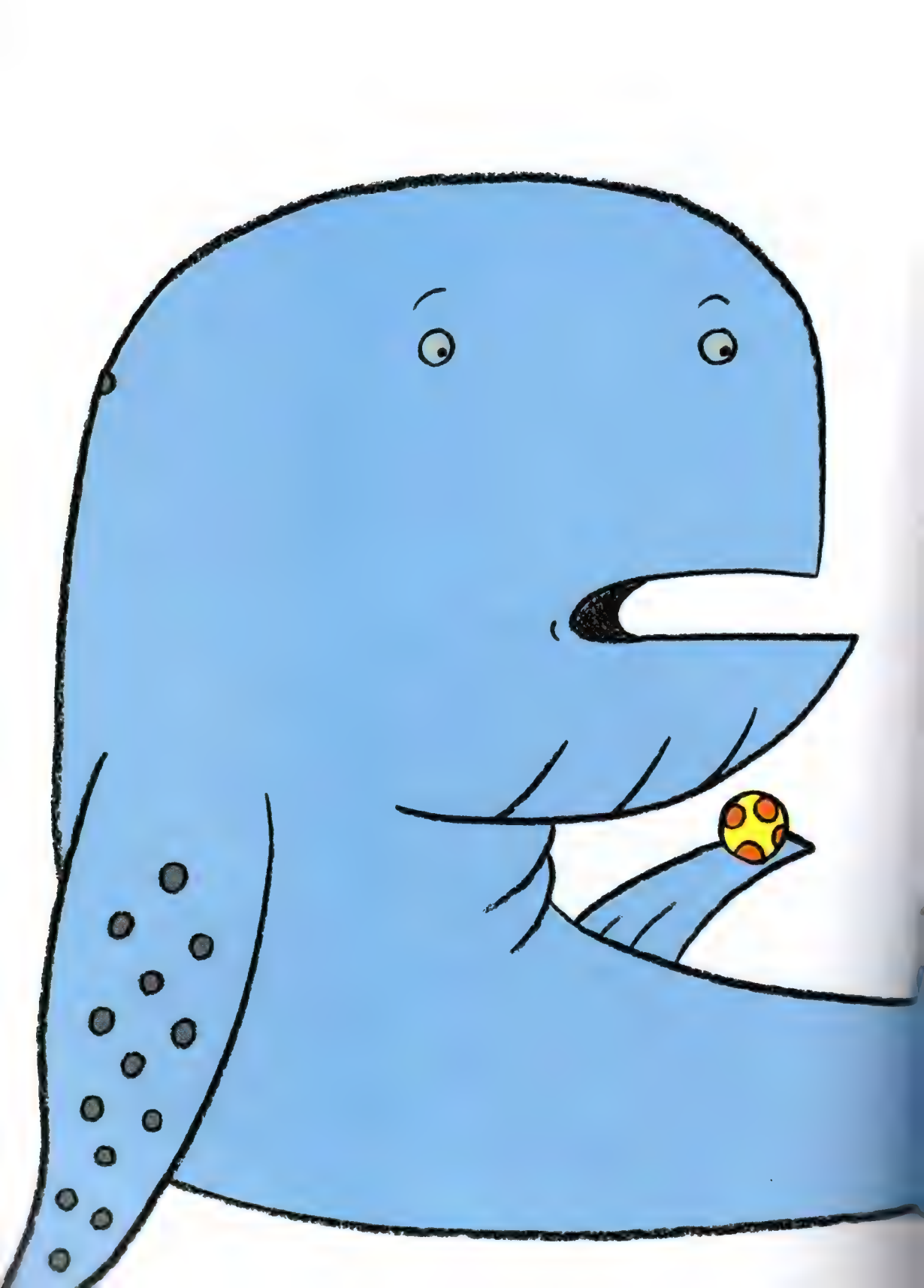




Um . . .
Big Guy!

Would you
like to play
"Whale Ball"
with us?

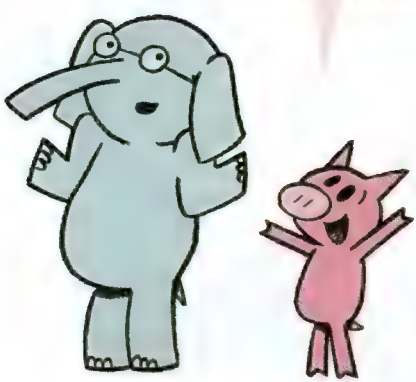




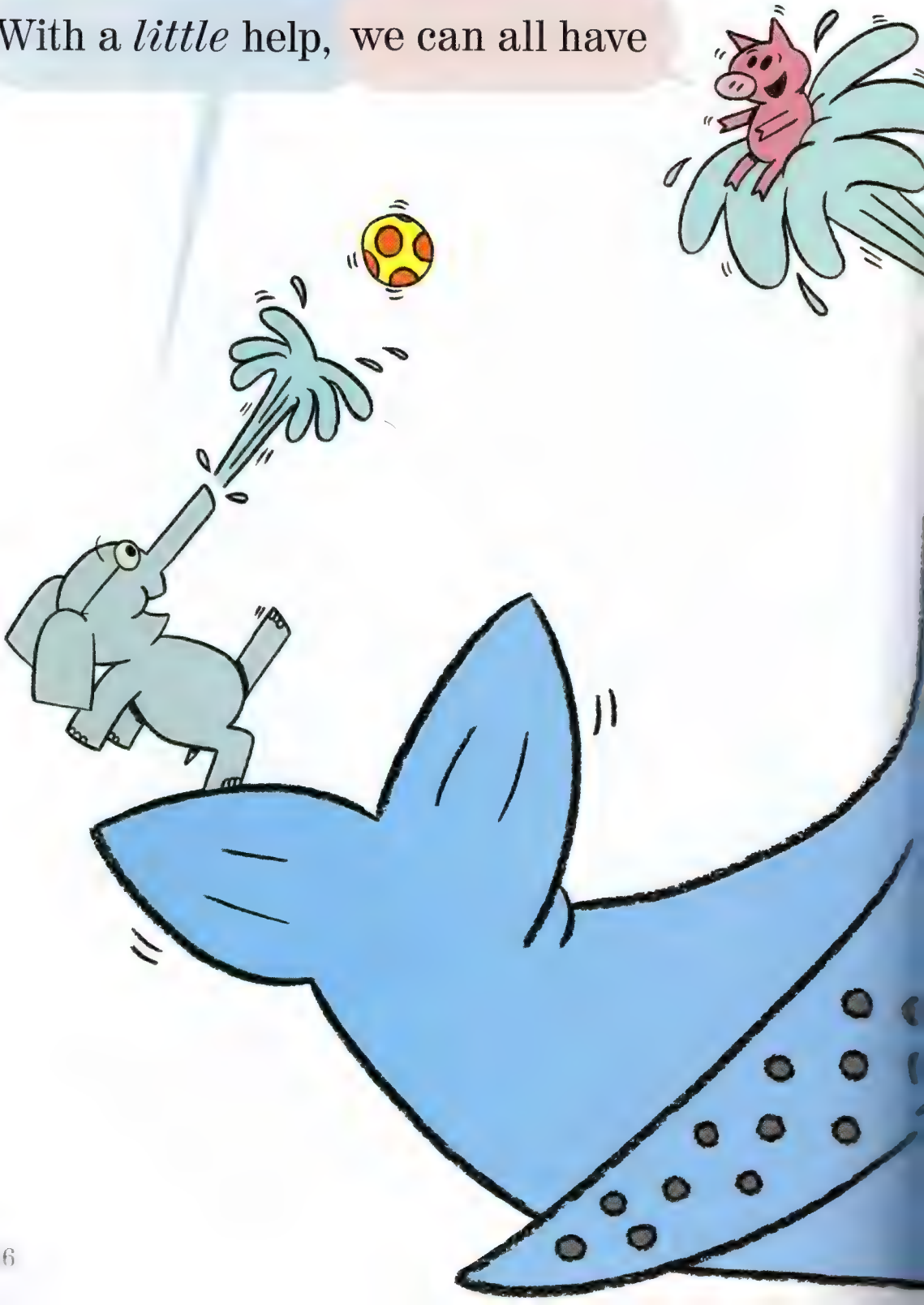
WHAT IS "WHALE BALL"?

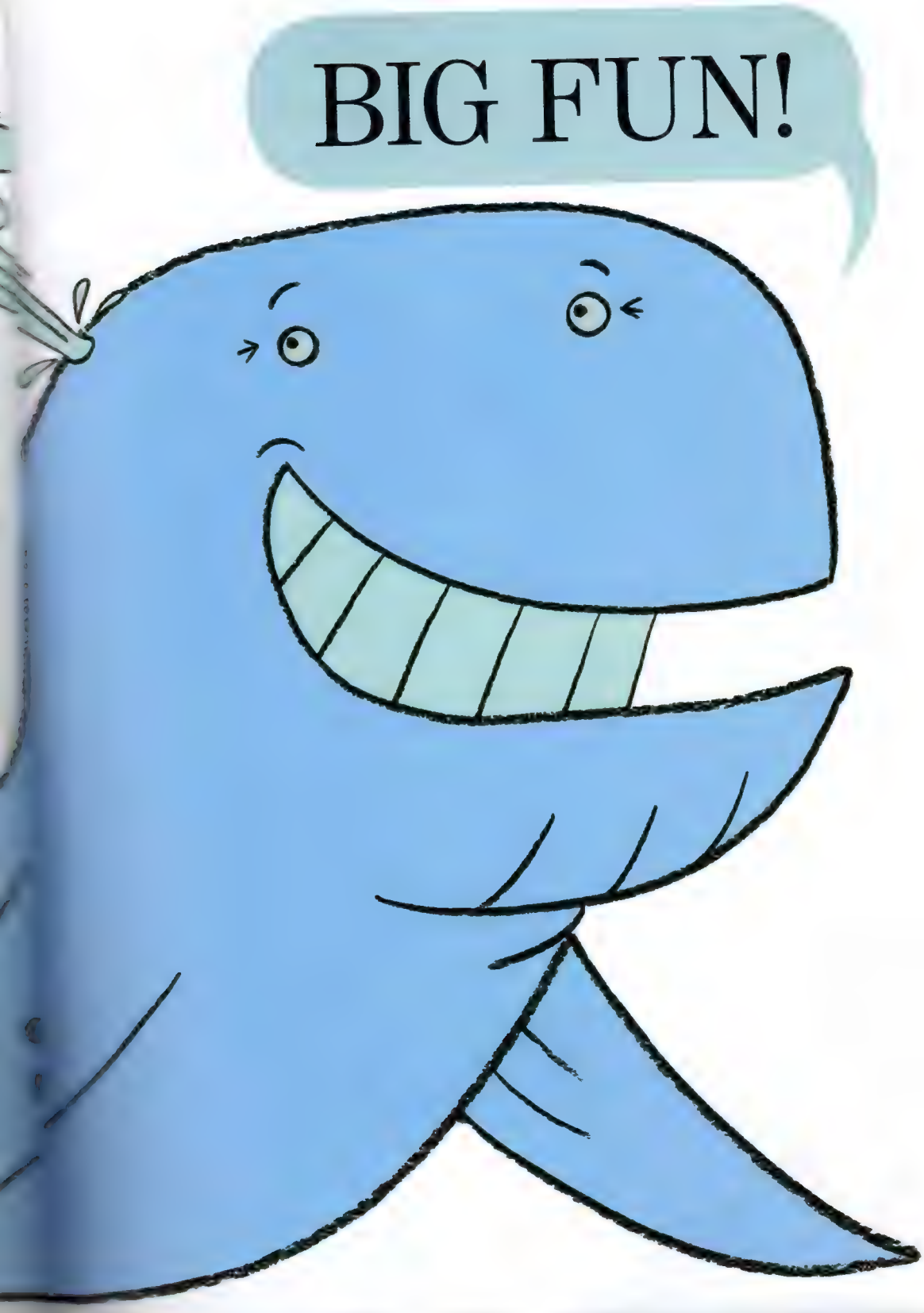
We do not know!

We have not made it up yet!



With a *little* help, we can all have




BIG FUN!

Elephant and Piggie have more funny adventures in:

Today I Will Fly!

My Friend Is Sad

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Elephants Cannot Dance!

Pigs Make Me Sneeze!

I Am Going!

Can I Play Too?

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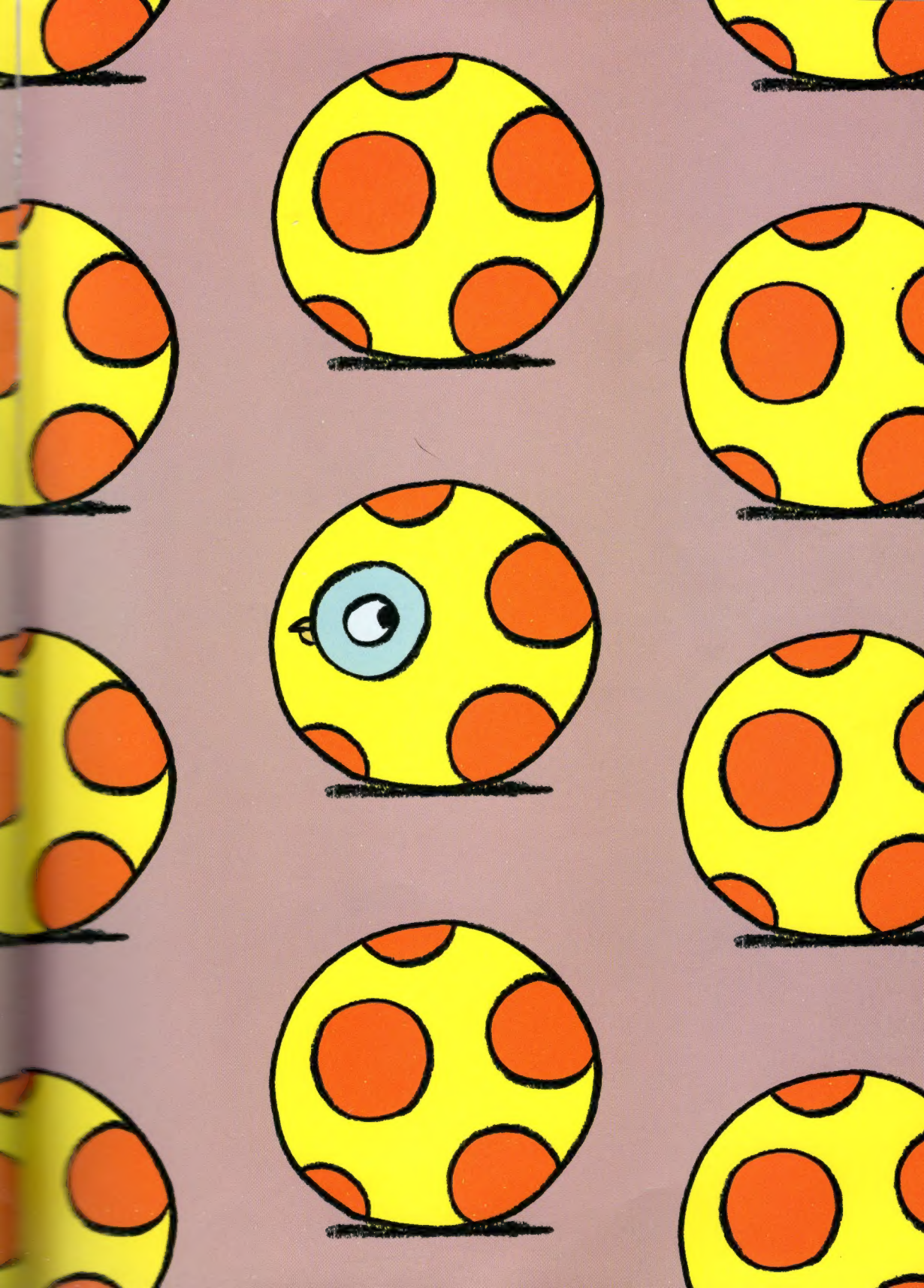
Should I Share My Ice Cream?

Happy Pig Day!

Listen to My Trumpet!

Let's Go for a Drive!



Meet Elephant Gerald and Piggie

winners of two Theodor Seuss Geisel Medals and recipients of five Geisel Honors!

Gerald is careful. Piggie is not.
Piggie cannot help smiling. Gerald can.
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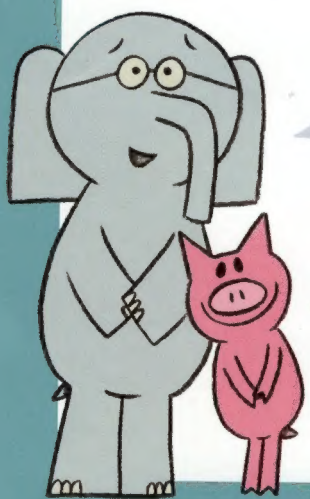

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